Family history

George Elton Harris

Harris, George Elton (Mrs)
Family History

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FAMILY HISTORY.

These histories were collected and arranged by Mrs. George Elton Harris. Notes were taken from hundreds of letters she received over a period of years. Papers and books which she studied in geneological libraries furnished important data. The family histories are quite complete to about the year 1946; after that date, the data is scattered and no effort was made to gather more detailed information.

The age of electricity, automobiles, radios, airplanes and atom bombs began in the first half of the nineteenth century. The generations alive at that time played their full part in those historic times. By 1930 almost every adult family group mentioned owned an automobile and several radios. None owned an airplane by 1947.

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The data was collected for my children who seldom saw their relatives.

Fifty copies were mimeographed and sent to relatives. Copies were also sent to Boston, Massachusetts Public Library; Chicago, Illinois Public Library; St. Louis, Missouri Public Library; and the San Francisco, California Public Library.

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"But forget not this one thing, beloved, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day".

II Peter 3:8

LETTER IN 1939 FROM CARRIE OVER TO ESTELLE BROWN

Our first ancestor, concerning whom I have any information is on my mother's side of the family. An Englishman by the name of Stout married a Holland woman whose first husband (a Hollander) had been killed by the Indians. She had been left for dead, but came to and crawled out into the trail, as she heard other Indians coming in order for them to finish her and relieve her of her sufferings. The younger one lifted his tomahawk with that intention, but the older one would not allow it and she was carried to the government house and the ransom secured. Later on she married Mr. Stout. Your mother and I belong to the ninth generation from them--four men and five women. If my mother knew the names, so little was ever said about them that we children failed to learn the names. The last time I ever saw my mother alive she told me we had one great-great-grandfather in the Revolution, and two great-grandfathers. But I was in an absent-minded state just then and it did not occur to me to ask for the names. It is strange she never mentioned them to Aunt Winnie with whom she lived so many years. And stranger still I did not ask the names, if she knew, as perhaps she did. Naturally she supposed I was not interested. I've always regretted it.

Grandfather Baxter was Albert Gallatin Baxter, and his wife was Polly Salter before her marriage. Sally Ann was their oldest child (15 years Mother's senior). There were nine children, but the only brothers whose names I knew were George and Elijah. Elijah died in Butte, Montana, at the age of 65. I cannot give date. He had no children. Aunt Sarah (as we called her) married William Hunter. They were the parents of 8 children, three only living to grow up. They were Albert Milton, Clara who married Nelson King. There was a family but I cannot give much information concerning them. If it is wished for, write to A. M. Hunter at Glendora, California. Milton married Cora Hicks, an English woman. There were two children, Pearl and William. (William is living, had a son. Pearl died some years ago--she married Charley Lewis. They had 2 children, Wyatt and Corabelle.) Aunt Sarah's other child was Ella. She married Dan Bracey. I believe it was 4 children she had--write to her in care of Milton. They are living together since both have been widowed. (This seems rather mixed up. The three Hunter children were Milton, Clara, and Ella.) These are the only relatives on the Baxter side I know anything about, except that Grandfather Baxter was born in New York State and Grandmother in New Jersey, and somewhere along the line we had ancestors who were members of the church at Hopewell, New Jersey. (Guess I mean charter members.) That was the first Baptist church in the United States I think, or at any rate the first in New Jersey. And also the original Holland couple came to the U. S. (not then "U. S.") with the first boat load from Holland 1623 if we have the date right. (Ed.-It was the first ship load of Hollanders to New Jersey.)

Grandfather Baxter lived to be 82, Grandmere 77--she died of pnemonia in Cordova, Illinois and is buried there; he died in Fort Collins, Colorado and is buried there.

My great-grandfather was "Sir Edward Elton" of somewhere in England. Quite possibly Elton Hall may have been their home. He left England, and his inheritance of wealth and title, in order to come to the Colonies and fight for freedom. The civil authorities heard of his intention to come, and forbade his leaving England. In order to slip away he had himself put in a barrel of scrap iron, with someone on board knowing about it, of course, and when safely underway, he was rescued from his prison. But again it is strange my people never told us much more about him, or that we did not ask. He came sometime during the Revolution. I suppose their thought was that it matters much more what we are, than who our ancestors may have been--true of course, but the information would be of interest. I do not know about who he married or about any family except my grandfather, and his name seems to have slipped from me. He married Emmeline Churchill, an English woman. My father and Aunt Julia were the only children. Aunt Julia died of a cancer at the roots of the tongue in Rock Island, Illinois, somewhere in the later 1870's. I cannot give the date, but I was a little child. And I do not know the date of her birth, or whether older or younger than Father. She married William Lundy, and had one son, John, who was killed in a street car accident in Rock Island, in 1898 I think, or near that date. We have

no other relatives on Father's side except cousins of his. He used to say he had a "10 acre lot of them in Connecticut." There was one family, an uncle of his, Cyrus Churchill, in Rock Island. But I suppose they will hardly be of sufficient interest to trace. They were fine people--I know them well. The name was Churchill, and they lived in Rock Island.

Our immediate family, Edwin Nathan Elton, married Mary Irene Baxter, in Edgington, Illinois, in 1862. Father was born in 1842 May 22, in New Berlin, Connecticut. Mother in 1843 in New York State. He was a minister, securing his special training, such as he was able to get, in Shurtleff College, in Upper Alton, Illinois. He served for three years in the Civil War, 126 Illinois Infantry, Captain C. B. Miller.

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The children were Mary Lillian, born April 18, 1865; Emma, who died at 16 months; (I do not know dates) Carrie Ida, born February 26, 1871; Edwina Julia, born January 19, 1874; Lottie May, born March 13, 1876; and Edwin Churchill, born December 14, 1878. Lottie died in September 1892 in Salubria, Idaho, from typhoid fever. You know the Harris children, and that your mother married Blair Harris in Ft. Collins December 25, 1883 (1885 is correct from other notes). I married Urban Meade Over, in Salubria, March 24, 1896. We had three sons, Robert Elton, born November 22, 1896 (a premature birth). We almost lost him at the time he should have been born. Ivan Iret was born February 20, 1901. (The name "Iret" is Mr. Frank Smith's name of Denver, head of the freight department of the U. P. system, and Mrs. Smith of national fame in our Baptist circles. They were special friends of mine while in Colorado.) Our youngest is Dale Churchill, born December 14, 1903. (You will notice that is my brother's birthday. It is also "Uncle Churchill's" birthday, where they both got the name.) Robert Elton married Freda Jeffrey in McMinnville, Oregon in September 1920. One son was born, Robert Eugene, September 4, 1924. Freda divorced Robert in 1929 (rightly). He has recently remarried, one Thelma Dunning, in Hollandale, Minnesota. There is a daughter, Mary Yvonne, born December 23, 1937.

Ivan is single. Dale married Edna Gladys Christian, in 1928 in Riverside, California. There is one child, James Christian, born May 29, 1936.

Aunt Winnie's children are Annie Elizabeth, January 19, 1904; Warren Lorenzo, May ? 1906; Lewis Edwin, November 1908; and Howard Sidney, April 1911. Oh yes, Aunt Winnie married Ira Lorenzo Root, in Salubria, in May 1901.

Edwin has two daughters. I will write him and ask for more definite information than I can give at present. Names would be my limit now, and the second, Eunice, deserves more than that. She is a "cum laude" graduate of Leland Stanford University, now doing an interesting work. When I get the information I'll send it on.

As you know, Annie is a teacher in Shanghai University, China, and is also Mission Treasurer this term, her second.

This seems to be all the information I can give concerning our people, except dates of my parents' deaths, which I can see I have overlooked. Father died in Salubria, October 29, 1899 and Mother on November 9, 1903. Also his pastorates, Oquawka, Ill., 4 years, Cordova, Ill., 10 years, Fort Collins, Colo., 6 years, and Salubria, Idaho, 9 years.

This is somewhat jumbled and badly typed. I seldom use my little old Corona and just now the cable has slipped. I'll be glad to answer any other questions which may be asked--if I can.

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U. M. Over was a dentist--the home was in Cambridge, Idaho. After retiring they moved to Weiser, Idaho about 1946. U. M. Over's son, Robert Elton, served in World War I 15 months in France in the Army. He enlisted from Cambridge, Idaho. Robert Eugene, from California, served in World War II in the Navy.

Dale Churchill Over's son James, has the handmade oak rocker put together

with oak pins, which belonged to Mrs. U. M. Over's great-grandmother. 1947 Ivan Over was one of Montgomery Ward's company service supervisors--all electrical equipment. The company sent him to supervise their work in Southern California in 1948.

Mr. and Mrs. U. M. Over moved to Pasadena, California in April, 1948 to be near their son Dale. Mrs. U. M. Over, Carrie Elton, died February 20, 1950 in Pasadena, California due to heart trouble. Carrie attended ~~Moody Bible Institute in Chicago~~--she wanted to go as a Christian missionary to the foreign field. She was ordained as a Baptist minister when one son was in Redland's University, California. She did a great deal of home missionary work and speaking. She disliked Idaho but lived there most of her life. Her dentist husband was not interested in religion. He died November 29, 1948 in Pasadena, California--due to cancer. His interment was in California where his mother, father and members of the family were buried. It had been his request.

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LETTER TO IMOGENE FROM CARRIE OVER AT WEISER, IDAHO ON SEPTEMBER 7, 1947

As to pictures, I am sending you one of my two sisters, myself and our only brother. It is an old, old picture. Those shirt waists with "choker" collars tell the story. Lillian looked tired, but it was fairly good of us all. I am also sending you a package with a picture of myself and my husband, "Uncle Urb" (Urban is his name) and one of father and mother taken evidently before we left Illinois. We moved to Colorado in 1883. Mother looks pretty sober, but it looked a good deal as I remember her when I was a child. Do not return the one of Urb and me, I have two more like it. They were enlarged from a kodak snap I liked very much. There is also one of mother and my sister Winnie when Win was a girl around 20. She had been seriously sick and we had been forced to cut her beautiful, long, hair. It is about the best picture of Mother I have. Then also in the package is a copper cut of Father's and Mother's last picture. Father was moderator of the First Idaho Association that year. The cut was made so the picture could be put into the copies of the minutes. He died soon afterward. Keep any of these as long as you care to. All may be returned if you do not care for the one of Urb and me. The others I shall be glad to have when you are entirely thru with them. I do not have any negatives of any one. Sorry, if you would care for them.

If (or when) you make copies of the family history Ivan would like to have one. He is quite interested in family trees.

I do not know what Grandfather Elton did. He lived in New Berlin, Connecticut. He died in his thirties, I believe.

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THE STORY OF MIDDLETOWN (page 35-38) BY ERNEST W. MANDEVILLE

There are two accounts of the coming of Richard Stout and his family, together with five other families, to settle in Middletown. One history gives this a 1648 date, and the other 1655.

Smith's History of New Jersey stated that there were some fifty families residing in Middletown, about the year 1650.

To a woman must go the credit of bringing most of the first permanent white settlers to Middletown.

It happened this way:

New Amsterdam, which was afterwards called New York, was at this time in the possession of the Dutch.

A ship from Holland, bringing passengers to New Amsterdam, was wrecked off Sandy Hook. Among the passengers who safely reached the shore was

Penelope VanPrincis. Her husband who was so sick that he was unable to flee over-land to New Amsterdam, with the other passengers, remained in the Navesink woods in the faithful care of his wife, Penelope. She paid no heed to the pleas of her fellow passengers, that it was too dangerous for a woman to stay behind and face the peril of falling in the hands of hostile Indians.

Their fears were not unfounded, for soon a band of red men came upon her, and her invalid husband. First they slew the helpless man and then proceeded to kill her. They left her so mangled from tomahawk wounds that they considered her dead. But Penelope was not killed. When she regained consciousness she crawled into a hollow tree, and there she stayed for several days, depending for food chidfly upon the fungous excrescences and gum which grew on the outside of it, for poor Penelope was not able to go in search of berries and other food.

One morning while she was dragging her wounded body along the ground, searching for a pool of water, two tall Indians came upon her, much astonished at finding a white woman and marveling at her endurance and courage through unspeakable hardships. One of them tossed Penelope over his shoulder, and carried her to their camp, near Middletown, where she was given food and drink, and her wounds dressed in Indian fashion.

Later her fellow passengers, now safely in New Amsterdam, sent back for her, and located her in Middletown, comfortable in her own wigwam with plenty to eat and drink, and good Indian clothes to wear.

A year or two later, at the age of twenty-two, Penelope met in New Amsterdam an Englishman named Richard Stout, and married him there. She induced him to sail across the bay and settle at Middletown, near those who had saved her life. Many of Richard Stout's friends thereupon visited the happy couple, and took up their residence in friendly Middletown.

FROM BENEDICT'S "HISTORY OF THE BAPTISTS" QUOTED IN "THE STORY OF MIDDLETOWN," by Ernest W. Mandeville (page 38-39)

The family of the Stouts are so remarkable for their number, origin, and character, in both church and state, that their history deserves to be conspicuously recorded; and no place can be so proper as that of Hopewell, where the bulk of the family resides. We have already seen that Jonathan Stout and family were the seed of the Hopewell Church, and the beginning of Hopewell settlement; and that of the 15 which constituted the church, nine were Stouts. The church was constituted at the house of a Stout, and the meetings were held chiefly at the dwellings of the Stouts for 41 years, viz., from the beginning of the settlement to the building of the meeting-house, before described. Mr. Hart was of the opinion (in 1790) "that from first to last, half the members have been and were of that name: for, in looking over the church book, (saith he) I found that near 200 of the name have been added; besides about as many more of the blood of the Stouts, who had lost the name by marriages. The present (1790) two deacons and four elders, are Stouts; the late Zebulon and David Stout were two of its main pillars; the last lived to see his offspring multiplied into 117 souls." The origin of this Baptist FAMILY is no less remarkable; for they all sprang from one woman, and she as good as dead; her history is in the mouths of most of her posterity, and is told as follows:

"She was born at Amsterdam, about the year 1602; her father's name was Vanprincis; she and her first husband (whose name is not known) sailed for New York (then New Amsterdam) about the year 1620; the vessel was stranded at Sandy Hood: the crew got ashore, and marched towards the said New York; but Penelope's (for that was her name) husband being hurt in the wreck, could not march with them; therefore, he and the wife tarried in the woods; they had not been long in the place, before the Indians killed them both, (as they thought) and stripped them to the skin; however, Penelope came to, though her skull was fractured, and her left shoulder so hacked, that she could never use that arm like the other; she was also cut across

the abdomen, so that her bowels appeared; these she kept in with her hand; she continued in this situation for seven days, taking shelter in a hollow tree, and eating the excrescence of it; the seventh day she saw a deer passing by with arrows sticking in it, and soon after two Indians appeared, whom she was glad to see, in hope they would put her out of her misery; accordingly, one made towards her to knock her on the head; but the other, who was an elderly man, prevented him; and throwing his matchcoat about her, carried her to his wigwam, and cured her of her wounds and bruises. It was in New York, that one Richard Stout married her; he was a native of England, and a good family; she was now in her 22nd year, and he in his 40th. She bore him seven sons and three daughters, viz: Jonathan (founder of Hopewell) John, Richard, James, Peter, David, Benjamin, Mary, Sarah, and Alice; the daughters married into the families of the Bounds, Pikes, Throckmortons, and Skeltons, and so lost the name of Stout; the sons married into the families
LLEN of Bullen, Crawford, Ashton, Truex, etc, and had many children. The mother lived to the age of 110, and saw her offspring multiplied into 502, in about 88 years."

Later on, according to the famous story of Penelope Stout, one of her old Indian friends came to her new home and warned her of a fearful Indian uprising. Mrs. Stout, now with two children, beseached her friend to quiet the uprising, and assure the hostile Indians of the white man's good intentions. This he could not do, but he showed her how to escape to New Amsterdam, with her children. Farmer Stout remained in Middletown, called the inhabitants to arms and then treated with the approaching Red Men so successfully that, according to Frank R. Stockton, in his "Stories of New Jersey," a general conference was held, in which the whites agreed to buy the lands on which they had built their town, and an alliance was made for mutual protection, and assistance. This compact was faithfully observed as long as there were any Indians in the neighborhood, and Middletown grew and flourished.

RICHARD STOUT

Richard Stout I was married in 1643 or 1644 to Penelope Van Princis. Was son of John Stout of Nottinghamshire, England.

Penelope Van Princis was on a Dutch ship from Amsterdam (first Dutch ship to America) landed at Sandy Hook--husband too sick to go on ship again so they were left--Indians found them, killed husband and left her for dead. She lived in a hollow log for days when two Indians found her and old one carried her to place where Middletown now stands. Indian cured her. Dutch in New Amsterdam heard a white woman was there and came to her relief. The old Indian came to visit her after she married Mr. Stout and she lived near Middletown. The Indian got a ransom.

David's brother Jonathan Stout born about 1646 was the seed of the Hopewell Baptist Church and beginning of Hopewell settlement. Baptist church held in his home 40 years.

Penelope was born about 1602. Her father's name was Vanprincis. 22 years old when she married Stout. She had 7 sons and 3 daughters. Lived 110 years.

Notes taken from "Historical and Genealogical Miscellany" by Stillwell, Vol. IV, page 362.

FOLLOWING

This record is in only one book owned by Mr. Harmon Sortore at Metuchen, New Jersey. A Mr. Harlan R. Sortore of Belmont, New York, County Seat of Alleghany County, New York, told Imogene about the book. The book is not loaned--someday copies may be made.

Hendrick Sortore B-About 1708 D 1794	M About 1755-56	Rebecca Stout B 4 D-Still living 4/18/1807
Catherine Stout B D	M 11/2/1730	John Stout B 1706 D-7/27/1761
Ruth Greenland B D	M	Col. Joseph Stout B-10/25/1686 D-10/22/1767
Anna Bollen B D	M 8/27/1685	Jonathan Stout B-About 1646 D 1722
Penelope Van Princess B-1602 D-1712	M About 1624	Richard Stout B 1584 D 1703
Name not known B D	M	John Stout-of Nottinghamshire B England D
Margaret Middaugh B-12/18/1792 D-2/18/1880	M 6/2/1811	Elijah Sortore B-9/5/1781 D-3/13/1869
Polly Longcore B D	M	Jonathan Sortore B-1/8/1784 D
Alexander Charles B D	M	Rebecca Sortore B-2/15/1786 D-2/19/1842
Nancy Hoglan B D	M 2/10/1812	Zebulon Sortore B 8/1/1788 D-5/1/1861
John Neal B D	M	Anna Sortore B-6/1/1790 D
William Early B-6/28/1772 D-4/28/1864	M 1809	Loranah Sortore B-6/27/1792 D-9/30/1863
Charles Thompson B D	M	Charity Sortore B-9/7/1794 D
_____ Mapes B D	M	Sally Sortore B-6/15/1796 D-9/1/1822
Albert Baxter B 1804 D	M	Polly Sortore B-1/2/1797 D

Sally Merriman B D	M	Henry Sortore B-1/24/1801 D	Parents of 11 children. Revolutionary record N. J.
Irene Wardell B D	M 12/25/1827	Nathaniel Stout Sortore B-5/23/1806 D	
Charity Stout B-5/20/1762 D-10/17/1856	M 10/23/1780	Henry Sortore B-7/5/1757 D-12/18/1823	
John Wart (Weart) B D	M	Mary Sortore B-1/10/59 D	
Jonathan Hunt B D	M		
		George Sortore B-3/24/1761 D-6/15/1763	
Isaac Blue (Blew) B-1/20/1758 D-9/10/1833	M 5/28/1779	Amelia (Amy) Sortore B-6/9/1763 D-2/6/1844	
Naomi Comstock B D-About 1814	M	George Sortore B-9/29/1765 D-4/14/1851	
Catherine Fisher B 1793 D-11/15/1850	M		
		Jesse Sortore B-5/1/1773 D	
Margaret Conover B-10/29/1776 D-3/27/1868	M	Elisha Sortore B-7/8/1778 D-10/20/1818	
Name not known B D-About 1755	M	Hendrick Sorter (Sortore) B D 1794	
Rebecca Stout B D-Still living 4/18/1807-08	M About 1756		Father of Henry b.1757

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Henry Sortore (1758-1823) served as a private in the New Jersey line at the Battle of White Plains. Crossed the Delaware and was with Washington at Valley Forge. His widow in 1840 was allowed a pension at Friendship, N. Y. He was born in New Jersey; died in Alleghany County, N. Y. Married Charity Stout 1780.

He served as a private in Colonel Freling huysen's regiment, Somerset County, New Jersey troops.

John Stout, father of Richard, came from Nottinghamshire, England.

Henry Sortore and Charity had:
Elijah, born 1781; Jonathan, born 1784; Rebecca, born 1786; Zebulon, born 1788; Ann; Lorannah, married William Early and lived in Friendship, New York; Charity; Sally; Polly; Henry; Nathaniel.

Edwin Nathan Elton had one sister Julia Churchill Elton who married William Lundy. Julia had one son John killed in a streetcar accident in Rock Island, Illinois, and she died of cancer in the throat.

Edwin Nathan Elton was born May 22, 1842 in New Berlin, Connecticut. E. N. Elton went to Illinois as a boy--never returned. His father died young. He married Phoebe (Mary as she renamed herself) Irene Baxter, August 14, 1862. Enlisted in the Civil War 3 days before marriage--20 years old; height, 5 ft. 8½ in., hair light, eyes blue, complexion fair. Promoted Corporal. Mustered out July 12, 1865, Pine Bluff, Arkansas. Served 3 years in the infantry under Captain C. B. Miller, Company B of the 126th Regiment. He attended Shurtleff College in Alton, Illinois, as a theological student in the years 1865-66 and 1867-68. He had pastorates (Baptist) at Oquawka, Ill., for 4 years, also Cordova, Ill., for 10 or 15 years, and Fort Collins, Colo., for 6 years and moved to Salubria, Idaho in the spring of 1891 where he held a pastorate 9 years. He died of pneumonia in Salubria Oct. 29, 1899 and is buried in that city. His wife died Nov. 9, 1903 of shaking palsy and is also buried in Salubria, Idaho. He organized churches (Baptist) in Loveland, Fort Collins, and Denver.

He had the following children:

1. Mary Lillian Elton born April 18, 1866 on her grandfather Baxter's farm near Edgerton, Ill. She was educated at Cordova, Ill., high school. She married Isaac Blair Harris.

2. Sarah Emma Elton born June 16, 1868, Edgerton, Ill., and died Sept. 22 1869, is buried at Oquawka, Ill.

3. Carrie Ida Elton married Urban Mead Over (A dentist born August 13, 1865) in Salubria, Idaho, on March 24, 1896. She had 3 sons:
Robert Elton Over, born Nov. 22, 1896
Irvan Iret Over, born February 20, 1901, an electrician
Dale Churchill Over, born Dec. 14, 1903, a dentist
She became ordained Baptist minister, worked in Colorado and Idaho. She attended Moody Bible Institute in Chicago--wanted to go as a foreign missionary. She was ordained when one son was in Redland's College in California.

4. Edwina Julia Elton, born January 19, 1874, Cordova, Illinois, married Ira Lorenzo Root May 27, 1902. She had the following children:
Annie Elizabeth Root, born in Salubria, Idaho, January 19, 1904
Warren Lorenzo Root, born in Salubria, Idaho, June 13, 1906
Lewis Edwin Root, born in Salubria, Idaho, November 18, 1908
Howard Sidney Root, born in Salubria, Idaho, May 26, 1911

5. Lettie May Elton, born March 13, 1876, Cordova, Illinois, died of typhoid fever and lockjaw on September 20, 1892, is buried at Salubria, Idaho.

6. Edwin Churchill Elton married Cora Dale.

The Reverend Mr. George Elton Harris has the old Elton family Bible and Grandfather E. N. Elton's watch. Edwin Churchill Elton has E. N. Elton's Civil War enlistment and discharge papers.

WILLIAM H. LUNDY A REPORT IN 1951 FROM
LINOIS STATE HISTORICAL LIBRARY IN SPRINGFIELD.

The Past and present of Rock Island county, Illinois. Chicago, H. F. Kett & Co., 1877. pp. 272, 293, 385.

(Directory of Rock Island City and Township)
Churchill, Cyrus, dem.; Lib.; Pennsylvania.

Lundy, W. H. Commission Store; residence, cor. 3rd ave and 16th st.; born DuPage Co., Ill., May 7 1848; came to this county in 1868; Dem.; Married Oct. 14, 1869, Julia C. Elton; has one child; is member of City Council.
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(Directory of Cordova township)
Baxter, Albert G. retired; P. O. Cordova; Dem; Meth.; 40 acres, $2000; New York.

Portrait and biographical album of Rock Island county, Illinois. Chicago, Biographical pub. co., 1885. pp 454

William H. Lundy, one of the most prominent young men of Rock Island county, enjoys the distinction of having served the city a greater number of years successively as alderman than any other man, is a native of Naperville, Ill., where he was born May 17, 1848. His parents, John G. and Elizabeth (Dyment) Lundy, were born in the north of Ireland and England respectively. They married in Canada and came to Illinois settling in DuPage county in 1836, where their six children were born and where Mrs. Lundy yet lives, the senior Mr. Lundy having died in 1881.

The subject of this sketch was brought up to farming, the duties whereof he alternated with attendance at the Naperville schools...He left home when about 20 years of age and went to Chicago, where he was employed as a clerk in a jewelry store about a year. From there he came to Rock Island and engaged in the business he has since followed, viz: dealer in house furnishing goods of every description.

Mr. Lundy was first elected Alderman in 1875 from the Second Ward and continued in that office up to the spring of 1883, when he headed the Democratic ticket as candidate for Mayor. In this he was defeated by only two votes, after one of the hottest contests ever witnessed in Rock Island...

Mr. Lundy is an ardent and uncompromising Democrat...He has represented the party three or four times as delegate to State Conventions, and the Congressional Conventions as often as they have occurred since he became a citizen of Rock Island.

In 1882 he represented Rock Island at large as Delegate in the Hennepin Canal Convention, at Davenport, and again in the same cause and capacity at Washington, D. C. in 1884...Mr. Lundy is prominently identified with the Masonic fraternity, also with the I. O. O. F., K. of P. and the "Red Men."

Mr. Lundy formed a matrimonial alliance Oct. 9, 1881, at Rock Island city with Miss Ida Phillips, a native of Davenport, Iowa, and their only child bears the name of Edna Josephine.

No information on the Eltons, other than the brief mentions sent you in 1948, was found. No reference to a brother of William Lundy's who married a sister of Julia Elton Lundy was found. Death records for Rock Island County, 1878 to date, are filed in the office of the County Clerk at Rock Island. Evidently William H. Lundy was married twice. If his first wife died after 1878 her death record should give the names of her parents and place and date of birth.

County of Rock Island, Illinois--Office of County Clerk: "The marriage license is on file in our office. This marriage took place on October 16, 1868." This refers to marriage of William H. Lundy and Julia Churchill Elton. A book by H. F. Kett gives marriage date as 1869, a year later. Another letter states, "The death records of this county (Rock Island, Ill.) were begun in 1878. It is most likely that the death of Julia Lundy occurred before this year, for we have searched the records and do not find her name."

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4. Dr. John (2) Elton, son of Ebenezer (2) Elton, was born in Harwinton or Waterbury on October 6,1755. He studied his profession under his half-brother, Dr. James Elton, to whose practice he succeeded in Watertown, then Westbury when Dr. James removed to Middletown. He was surgeon of Lieut-ColonelBaldwin's regiment in the revolution in 1777. He was leading Physician and surgeon ther for 24 years, sustaining the reputation of his brother. He was followed by his son, Doctor Samuel Elton. Page 556 of this (Vol. #3) history contains pictures of James S. Elton and James Prince Elton. Notice that John Elton from Bristol, England had three sons-- John Richard and Ebenezer, and Ebenezer had a son, Ebenezer born 1712 who had a son - Nathan Noah born July 12,1782. That Nathan Noah could be the ancestor of the Joseph B. Elton who married Emeline Churchill and named his son Edwin Nathan Elton born May 22,1842. A John P. Elton died November 10,1864 --age 55 years. A memorial window for him was given by Mrs. Betsy Elton, to the St. Johns Parish Church-- Waterbury, Conn. Notes say that there were a Waterbury Brass Company, Cutler and Manufacturing Co,. owned by the Elton families.

Samuel Hubbard of Berlin, Conn., born 1736 and died August 23,1813, married Jane Highbee, A daughter of Isaac and Dinah (Elton) Highbee. Samuel was the oldest child and oldest son of Samuel Hubbard, of Farmington County, who was born October 4, 1704 and died in 1777. (His father was Samuel Hubbard of Farmington County, Born March 27,1678 and died May 19, 1745) So three Samuel Hubbards in a direct line.

Mrs Edwain H. Elton, 89 North St., Bristol, Conn

August 21,1942

Dear Mrs. Elton Harris:

Your letter received, regarding information of the Elton family. I am afraid the information that I can give you will not help you very much. Mr. Elton's father died when he was but fourteen and since then the people I could get the information from have passed away. Mr. Elton's father, John Elton was born in Burlington, Conn., in 1840. He had a brother, John and one Henry and also a sister. His grandfatehr was Alonzo Elton who died in March (22) 1896, at the age of 88 years. There are several Eltons buried in the town of Burlington that Mr. Elton does not know about. We went to two different cemeteries and found the stones of a Benjamin Elton who died in 1836 at the age of 76 and also a ~~William~~ Elton who died August 17,1871 age 93 yrs. Romeo Elton who died in 1889 at the age of 72. AND A WILLIAM ELTON WHO DIED ON APRIL 1882 - AGED 74. JAMES

Mr. Elton's father lived in Burlington most of his life and was buried there in the same cemetary with most of the other Eltons so it seems to me they have come from the same family way back somewhere.

I will go to Burlington some day and search the records to see if I can get more information for you. The town of Burlington has been bought up by a water Company, so there are not many people living there now. I wish I could tell you where you could get the information you are looking for but I cannot help you any more now. Mr. Elton had a cousin who is quite an old lady. I tried to get some information from her and she said she thought the Berlin Eltons were related but that was all she knew. My husband will be 60 yrs in November and he has one brother older and one younger that died three years ago.

This is the best that I can do for you at the present time but should I gather more information, you will hear from me again.

Sincerely Yours,

Mrs Edwin H. Elton.

ELTON BIBLE RECORDS

Thomas Elton born Dec 22d A. D 1750 at two in the afternoon -7th of the week.
Martha Elton Born July 20,1752 at half an hour after seven at night, 3rd of wk.
Anthony Elton born Dec. 2,1753 at seven of the night, 1st of the week.
_____ Elton born Oct. 4,1755 at half an hour in the morning 7th of the week.
_____ Elton born Sept.11,1757 at 5 O'Clock in the morning, 1st of week.
_____ Elton born Sept,15, 1759 at half hour after ten at night, 7th of the Wk.
Hannah Elton born Mar. 15,1761 at 11. O'Clock in the morning, 2nd of the week

Nov. 10,1903, Useful Lives.--- Newspaper slippings.

Monday Afternoon about 4 O'clock, Mrs E. N. Elton passed quitly from this life, after years of patient suffering. So peaceful was the end that loved ones watching could not tell when it came. A few days before she had contracted a cold, but seemed better, and the only alarming sympton in her condition that day was a drowsy wondering of the mind, though she quickly rallied and regained consciousness when spoken to. Death was due to dropsy, from which, coupled with partial paralysis, heart disease and attendant disorders. She had been an invalid for more than three years.

Funeral services were held at the Baptist Church Wednesday afternoon Rev. Leger, of Middle Walley conducting and the body laid to rest in the Salurbia Cemetery beside her husband who preceded her four years and a daughter who went ten years before. She leaves four children, Mrs. I. B. Harris of Fort Collinc, Colorado, Mrs. U. M. Over of Cambridge, Mrs. I. L. Root and Edwin Elton of Salubria, all of whom were present at the funeral. A brother, E. S. Baxter of Butte, Montana and a sister, Mrs S. A. Hunter of Boulder, Col., and ten grandchildren.

Mary Irene Baxter was born in the State of New York, May 16,1843; On August 14, 1862 when 19 years old, she was married to Edwin N. Elton, at Edgington, Illinois. They lived in that place a number of years then moved to Colorado and finally located in Salubria in the Spring of 1891.

Mary Irene Baxter (Elton) had cousins by name of Louis or Lewis McHenry and Rebecca McHenry both of Hardtrack, New York.

Rebecca was a school teacher and came out from New York State to visit in Colorado about 1887. Were children of Mary Irene's father's sister or mother's sister.

Found in San Francisco, California, Public Library--- Elton Geneaology of Connecticut. Lewis Historical Publishing Co,. Volume 3. --- William Richard Cutter 1911. The surname Elton is of ancient English Origin, taken from some place name, As early as 1500. The family name is well known in Wiltshire, England. A branch of this family from Sowley or Soley, of Chilton Folliatt, Wiltshire, settled in New Jersey. An elaborate history of various branches of the Elton Family and related Mayo families in England has been published, (Mayo- Elton families of Wilts and Herfordshire). One of the early settlers of Southold, Long Island was in Elton, and he was admitted a freeman of Connecticut in 1602. It was likely that he was the father of the progenitor of the Connecticut branch and related to the New Jersey branch of the Elton family.

1. John Elton , progenitor of the Conn., family came from Bristol, England, and settled in Middletown, Conn. He married Jane_____. Children born in Middletown were: Mary Born July 26,1672; Richard born February 11,1674. He died young. John -born November 16,1676. He was living in Middletown in 1730 and 1738 when he witnessed wills of Thomas Ward and Samuel Cotton. Richard born April 20,1679 and he married Elizabeth, the daughter of John Wetmore. Ann born September 9, 1681. Ebenezer, mentioned below born May 11,1686.

2. Ebenezer, son of John Elton was born at Middletown, Conn., on May 11, 1686. He was lost at sea when a young man. His home was Bradford, Conn. He left one child named Ebenezer who is father mentioned below.

3. Ebenezer Elton was born in Bradford, Conn., in 1712. He settled first at Middletown and finally at Harwinton, Conn. He married (first) Hannah Ward of Middletown. She died in 1754 and he married (second) on January 23, 1755, Hannah Bacon of Middletown. The children of the first wife were: Recompense, Born March 5,1736; Ebenezer born February 20, 1738; Mary born December 1739; Patience born February 10,1744; Dr. James born April 20, 1746. William born August 2, 1748; Richard born September 29,1750 and died young. Elizabeth died in infancy. The children of the second wife were: Dr. John born October 6, 1755 mentioned below; Elizabeth born December 1756; Richard died in infancy. Rhoda born November 26,1759; Benjamin born April 8, 1761; Hannah died in infancy; Lucy born January 29, 1764; Nathan Noah, died in infancy; Hannah born July 1770; Richard died in infancy; Esther born December 9, 1775; Nathan Noah born July 12,178~~7~~. 1782

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The Bible records were given to New Jersey Historical Society at Newark, New Jersey. In Bates Hall of the Boston Public Library I read the April 1937 Quartely Journal of the New Jersey Historical Society and listed under Society Activities were some donations to the Library listed on page 163 under the Womans's Branch. Page 166 states that a donation of Bible records of Elton, Morris and Knapp Families has been made.

DEATHS--Bible Records

Frances Elton Knapp died July 31st, 1860 at Bloomfield, N. J. age 66 yrs,. 1 month and 28 days. then she was born in 1793.

Capt. Thomas Knapp died August 3rd, 1865 at Staten Island, age 82 yrs., 3 month and 23 days.

Susanna Amelia Knapp, wife of Elias B. Requa, died November 27th, 1871 at Bergen, N. J. age 39 yrs., 7 month and 4 days.

Thomas Elton and Susanna Wood were married November the 10 A. D. 1774.
Mary , Daughter of Thomas and Susannah Elton, Was born on Thursday, the 12th day of October 1775 at the quarter of an hour after 1 O'clock at noon.

Susannah Elton was born on Sunday the eighth day of March 1778 at half an hour after 12 O'Clock at noon.

John Elton was born the first day of February 1780 at 20 minutes past 11 O'Clock at night, 3rd day of the week.

Thomas Elton was born the 27th of January 1782 at 10 minutes past 12 O'clock in the morning of the first day of the week.

Elizabeth Elton was boen Tuesday the 6th day of April 1784 at half an hour after ten in the forenoon.

Joseph Elton was born December the 5th, 1788, and died August the 10th,1789, age 8 months and 5 days.

William Elton was born Saturday, November the 6th, 1790 at half past nine in the morning.

Francis Elton was born Wednesday the 12th of June 1793 at 5 O'Clock in the Morning.

(William Elton married Anne Morris.
Good (William had son Rev. Romeo Elton born 1790. He was the 4th son.
(Romeo graduated from Brown University and was Prof. there.

A Sylvester Elton Jr. married Sarah A. Churchill on July 31, 1836, she of Berlin, Connecticut.
so there must have been a Sylvester Elton Sr.

The New Jersey Bible is Morris, Elton, Knapp so it proves the relationship.
William Elton married Anne Morris.
Frances Elton married _____ Knapp.

Thomas Elton married Susanna Wood	Mary	b. Oct. 12, 1775
	Susannah	March 8, 1778
	John	Feb. 1, 1780
	Thomas	Jan. 27, 1782
	Elizabeth	April 6, 1784
	Joseph	Dec. 5, 1788 died Aug. 10, 1789
	William	November 6, 1790
	Frances	June 12, 1793
William Elton married Anne Morris	1st son	
	2nd son	
	3rd son	
	4th son	was Rev. Romeo Elton born 1790, graduated from Brown University

William must have been a cousin or brother of above Thomas Elton

These two Williams cannot be the same man as one was born 1790 while the other became the father of a fourth son in 1790!

BURLINGTON COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

457 High Street, Burlington, N. J.

August 2, 1942

Mrs. George E. Harris
80 East Fifth St. Peru, Ind.

My dear Mrs. Harris,

There seems to be no references to Eltons in books on genealogy which are available to me. There are some references in N. J. Archives however and I think they are the basis for part of the information which I will pass on to you. Some time ago a local genealogist and historian prepared some material on the Coles family for a cousin of mine and she has allowed me to make a copy of it. Thomas and Mary (Elton) Kendall had a daughter Mary who married Samuel Coles II and the historian furnished information on the earliest families intermarried with the Coles.

Here is the material on the Eltons:

"Thomas Kendall may have been a Quaker, probably was, when he came to this country but his marriages were solemnized in Open Court at Burlington and hence contrary to Friends Discipline which would cause his disownment, he must have left them. There appears to have been no other religious society than the Quakers in the Burlington Colony for several years after the first settlement. St. Mary's Church, Burlington, founded in 1702 was the first Episcopal or Church of England organized congregation in West New Jersey. The Eltons were no doubt Church of England people and not Quakers.

The first of the Elton family of whom we have any knowledge is Anthony Elton of Sowley (now Soley) in the parish of Chelton Folliat, Wiltshire, England, Yeoman. His brother Thomas who lived at the same place, died in March 1619 without issue, bequeathing one-fourth of his estate to Anthony. Anthony had a daughter and a son Robert who married Jane who died 4-20-1663. He then married Margery.

"Robert and Jane had issue:

Anthony	
Robert	buried 8-14-1648
Dorothy	married Chitchester
Mary	married Maundy

Anthony Elton (Robert and Jane) of Yatesbury, Wiltshire, England, married Susannah _____. He was church warden of the Parish of Yatesburg for 7 years serving first in 1660.

In June 1677 he purchased of Thomas Hooten of London one full 1/8 part of 1/90 part of 90/100 parts of the province of West New Jersey. He came to this country in 1678 and settled on Northampton River (Rancocas). He died in 1685. His will was probated Jan. 31, 1686. The inventory of his estate foots up to 938, 16 s. of which 60 for land in England, 40 for 400 acres in Pennsylvania and town and city lots, 280 for house and plantation, 25 for 100 acres and town lot in Burlington, 8 Society's Stock, 35 for 2 negroes and a covenanted servant. Letters of administration were granted his widow Susannah.

938 POUNDS

Susannah his widow removed to Philadelphia and died before 12-17-1702 at which time her will was probated then.

Anthony and Susannah had issue:

Anthony	married 2-20-1688 Elizabeth Revell
Thomas	died without issue in 1695
Mary	married Thomas Kendall both of Burlington, N. J. Married December 25, 1684
George	
William	
Charles	
Francis	
A daughter who married Joshua Newbold.	

From material found in N. J. Archives there seems to have been a daughter Jane who married Samuel Abbett for in 1678 a claim of hers was settled by her father's estate. The statement of the historian that a daughter married Joshua Newbold is probably based on Anthony's will in which he mentioned his brother-in-law Joshua Newbold. This man married a sister to Elizabeth Revell Elton as proved by the will of Elizabeth's mother.

Anthony Elton is listed in the Calendar of Records Archives as an Agriculturalist.

The will of his son Anthony Elton of Northampton Township, Burlington Co. yeoman, was probated Nov. 11, 1702. He left children--Elizabeth, Revell (under age) Robert, Anthony, Mary, Hannah, William. His wife Elizabeth daughter of Thomas and Mary Revell died in 1708. Thomas Revell was Provincial Clerk & Recorder and lived from 1696-1699 in a house near the River Bank in Burlington. This house built in 1685 is still standing --the oldest house in the County - is still known as the Revell house and is now the property of the Annis Stockton Chapter of D. A. R.

The recent biography of John Woolman by Janet Payne Whitney reveals the fact that his sister Sarah married Robert Elton in 1737.

Revell Elton seems to have been very active as witness, maker of inventory or administrator for estates - as was his father, Anthony II."

I know of no book where you could find more material on the Elton family except perhaps later volumes of the Index to Wills. If I do find anything further on the early family I will send it on to you.

Hoping this will be of help to you,

Sincerely,

H. Dorothy Atkinson

Genealogist of Burl. County Historical Soc.

Elton Hall rebuilt in about 1660 on the Northwest border of the county of Huntingdownshire, England. Now has famous collection of prayer books. (From Encyclopedia Brittannica.)

BAPTIST ENCYCLOPAEDIA

by William Cathcart 1883

Peru, Indiana Baptist Church has this book.
p 368 - Elton Romeo DD

Was born in Ellington, Conn., probably in 1790. He spent his early days on the farm of his father, but was unfitted by temperament and physical weakness for agricultural pursuits. He became a member of Brown University and graduated in the class of 1813. Having devoted some time to the study of theology, he was ordained as pastor of the second Baptist church in Newport R. I. June 11, 1817. Ill health obliged him to resign. The same cause also forced him to give up his ministry in Windsor, Vt., whither he had gone from Newport. Invited to take the chair of professor of the Latin & Greek languages in Brown University in 1825. From 1827 to 1843 he was connected with Brown. After resigning from Brown he went to England and resided in Exeter for 22 years and in Bath 2 years. He returned to U. S. A. in 1869 and resided in Rhode Island and Boston, in which city he died February 5, 1870. Wrote several books. Bequeathed $20,000 to Brown and nearly as much to Columbian College.

PROSPECT METHODIST CHURCH
Summer and Center Streets
Bristol, Conn.

August 10, 1942

Mrs. George Elton Harris
80 East 5th Street
Peru, Indiana

Dear Mrs. Harris:

Complying with your request of August 5, the Eltons listed on our membership roll are as follows:

Mr. Charles E. Elton--Pinehurst Road R. F. D.--Bristol, Connecticut.
Mrs. Edwin H. Elton--89 North Street--Bristol, Connecticut.

Trusting that this information will help you, I am

Sincerely,

Gladys Wilson, Office Secretary

P. S. In our City Directory I notice the following Eltons:

Mr. George H. Elton--453 West Street--Bristol, Connecticut.
Mrs. Georgia B. Elton--24 Richmond Place--Bristol, Connecticut.

2140 Harding Ave.
Altadena, Calif.
May 15, 1941

Dear Mrs. Harris:

You probably will be surprised to be hearing from me and and especially in reply for A. M. Hunter whom you wrote two years ago for information — OF the family. Cousin Milton Hunter is an old man now and has been shaky due to taking insulin because of diabetes severely. He asked me to write you the information he had. You may wonder who I am. I am the youngest of three sons of Carrie Elton Over (Mrs. U. M. O.) of Cambridge, Idaho. I have heard of your husband ever since I was a small boy. My Mother and his mother were sisters I believe. Some of the Elton's Cousins or nephews (brother and sister and nephew) are here in Calif., I have seen some of them and had them in my home when Mother was here five years ago. As Milton spoke I will give you what little ~~I~~ remembers, HE

1. Clara --had a family- Clarence, a hardware man- now dead.
2. Estelle married Sellers- now dead. Had 3 children- 2 girls are married.
3. William Hunter- from Virginia, married Mr. Roy- has a baby, few months. Son Walter--21 in Navy (Machine Shop)
4. Milton Hunter- Had daughter -Pearl- Married Mr. Lewis--now dead. Had son Wyatt--had 2 sons. Had daughter-- Corabelle--boy 4--girl 1.
5. Ella.
   1. Sarah- lived in Coolidge, Arizona.42 yrs. OLD
   2. Haynes-- Killed in mine at Boulder.
   3. Dorothy- died 2 yrs ago
   4. Albert -- lives in Globe, Arizona 33 yrs old.
6. A. Gallatin-- lived in early time in N. Y. moved to Illinois by way of lumber raft of brother (who was the brother?) in lumber business (Grandfather of A. Milton Hunter).
7. Mary Salter Baxter had a sister (Charity Sortore) married a Thompson. Anne Sortore married a William Earley. Can he give first names of Thompson and Sortore? Thompson has 2 boys.
   Mary Salter born in Chautauqua, N. Y. died at about December 1876 or January 1877 at age of 77? in Illinois. Mary Salter Baxter had--
   1. Sarah B. -- married William F. Hunter in Illinois. Had 4 daughters all died as children. Then moved to Colorado. While there Milton and William were born. William died at age of 2 yrs. Clara Irene born, married Nelse King--died 2 yrs ago at the age of 76 years.

Also Ella born- lived in Arizona now(but moving back to Colo., to be with daughter-in-law of deceased husband). DAVID STOUT BAXTER

8. Albert and Mary Baxter, had grandson, David Stout Baxter, died in San Francisco, about 5 yrs. ago. He has 2 daughters operating a beauty shop some where in Northern California.

Milton spoke of the Dutch in the early days. Originally they were the New Amsterdam (N. Y.) Dutch. They were forced to split and divide, being called the Amsterdam Dutch and the Jersey Dutch. When this one happened due to the Indians, was when this one lady was forced to flee. Milton's story is that her husband was killed and she was pregnant at that time. She fled into the woods toward Jersey and traveled at night and slept in the day-time. One day she was sleeping in a hollow log, awoke and heard the Indians sitting on the log talking and hunting for her. She did escape and had the child in Jersey. He did not know more.

The Origon of one descendant of the Dutch was on the original Dutch boat in 1633 I believe or 1623 landing and naming New Amsterdam (N. Y. now. Several severe hardships from lack of food and cold and trouble with the Indians made the first year a hard one.

This is about all I know about the family. If I can be of any other help, call on me. Milton, his sister, Ella, my mother and her sister may be able to help some. One other point of interest that Mother has spoken of: An Englishman named Elton was in sympathy with the Colonies, smuggled him-self on a boat, came to America and fought the Colonies throughout the war. The English found out about it and confiscated his bank account which amounted to about 5 million pounds and never returned it. Sounds as if he could help WITH more than his money but maby he felt differently about it. He did become important in the formation of the Government, but I know very little. I would appreciate the complete file of the family history sometime as you have it.

Sincerely,

Dale C. Over.

In 1952 an inquiry sent to the Historical Society of Pennsylvania about Cyrus Churchill or his sister Emeline brought the reply, "We regret that we cannot answer your genealogical question. Prior to 1860 official records of vital statistics do not exist in most Pennsylvania Counties". They suggested that a reserch worker be employed to check Church, Court records and directories.

Mary Irene Baxter talked of relatives named Child. A. G. Baxter's Cousin was Gilmore (The last Name) Index to New England Historical and genealogical Registar at Bates Hall, Boston Public Library, Vol: 34- page 303 Churchill- Emeline P., daughter of John 5- Churchill (Charles 4, Joseph 3, John 2, Nathaniel 1.) John was born July 28,1789 in Portland Conn. He married July 1, 1809- Emily Wilcox who was born June 17,1792 and was the daughter of Asabel and Lucy(Crittendon) Wilcox of Portland, Conn. Emeline P. was the 8th child.

Ashburton Place-- New England geneological and Historical Hall--9 Churchills of Berlin, Conn.

1. Clarissa A. Churchill of Newington, married Almon B. Goodwin of New Britain, Conn. Dec. 24, 1841 by W. W. Brewer.
2. Emeline Churchill married Jesse S. Blue, born of Berlin, Conn., March 8th, 1850 by Rev. Stephen Rushmore.
3. Laura Churchill married Giles Colvin, born of Berlin Nov. 20,1837 by Charles A. Goodrich.
4. Lucy Churchill, married Jeremiah H. Osgood, Oct 2, 1754.
5. Olive Churchill born Sept. 19,1784
6. Olive Churchill married Amos Edwards, son of Josiah & Mary, March 13,1806
7. Samuel Churchill married Emily North, Daughter of Jedediah and Betsy North, August --1840
8. Sarah A. Churchill married Sylvester Elton Jr., on July 31,1836 by Rev., Amos D. Watrous.
9. William Churchill married Eliza J. Francis, born of Berlin, Sept. 14, 1835 by Rev Noah Porter of ~~Farmington.~~ FRAMINGTON

Mary Lillian Elton was born April 18,1866 on her Grandfather Albert Baxter's farm near Edgerton, Illinois. She was educated at Cordova, Illinois highschool. When a girl, she lay in bed one year with a flat iron tied to her foot because of hip trouble. Later she walked on crutches for three years. She married Issaac Blair Harris (born 1859) on December 24,1885 at Fort Collins, Colorado, married by her father Rev. E. N. Elton. The young couple lived on a farm, three miles west of Fort Collins, Colorado.

They homesteaded land near Wellington, Colorado. Mary Lillian was the mother of nine children. The home was not a happy one and in 1904 her husband left the family, willed her the house and forty acres of land. The older children helped their mother support the family. Mary Lillian moved to Liberty, Missouri, in December 1913 where she helped with finances by renting rooms to college students. Her sons George Elton and Carrol worked their way through college and helped their mother. The girls worked at the telephone office and helped with family finances. In April 1917 Mary Lillian took her daughter Estelle and son Carrol to Gulfport, Mississippi. Carrol had a weak heart, had been bedfast eleven weeks, and the doctor advised moving to a lower altitude. But in September her son Arthur's wife died, so Mary Lillian went to Colorado to help take care of Arthur's small children, Ida and Virgil, and keep house for them. Daughter Estelle stayed with Carrol in Mississippi. When Carrol had another heart attack in Dec., 1919 his mother went back to Gulfport, taking a sister Verda along. They remained there till Carrol died on January 14, 1920. All returned to Fort Collins, Colorado and Carrol was buried there. Mary Lillian then went to the Harris farm three miles west of Fort Collins to live with her daughter Lillian and husband Peter Farmer who rented the farm at that time. On November 24, 1929, Mary Lillian filed for land and began to homestead land near her son Arthur's ranch at Encampment, Wyoming in 1930. About one year later she became ill with pnemonia and died in Denver, Colorado at St. Luke's hospital on December 27, 1931. She is buried in Fort Collins, Colorado, beside her son Carrol and near her grandfather Baxter.

Mary Lillian Elton Harris was about five feet and two inches tall, small of bone, small feet and hands, beautifully proportioned body, no physical defects. Had dark brown hair, blue eyes, was right handed. She was religious, intelligent, proud and rather pessimistic.

Copy from a letter EDWINA ELTON ROOT wrote to her niece Estelle Harris Brown in 1939.

"I expect Carrie told you that father, Edwin Nathan Elton, was born in Connecticut on May 22, 1842. Educated at Surleff College (Shurtleff) Upper Alton, Ill. Served three years in the Civil War; was in Company B of the 126 Regiment of Ill. Infantry.. Pastor At Oquawka, Ill., 4 years; Cordova, Ill., 15 years; Fort Collins, Colo., 6 years., and Salubria, Idaho, 9 years. Died at Salubria Oct. 29, 1899 of pneumonia. Married Miss Mary Irene Baxter Aug. 14, 1862.

Mary Irene Baxter Elton died Nov. 9, 1903 of shaking palsy, dropsy, and heart disease.

My name is Edwina Julia Elton Root. Born Jan. 19, 1874 at Cordova, Ill. Married Ira Lorenzo Root, May 27, 1902, at Salubria, Idaho by Rev. L. W. Gowen and am still alive. (She wanted to know about your sickness. Mine would not quite fill a book but would come too near.) Lorenzo Root's mother lived in Carroll, Ill., when a girl.

Lettie May Elton born March 13, 1876. Died of typhoid fever and lock-jaw on September ____, 1892.

ANNIE

Anne Elizabeth Root, born at Salubria, Idaho, Jan. 19, 1904. High school at Weiser, Idaho. Linfield College at McMinnville, Oregon. B. A. degree, cum laude, in 1928. Sailed for University of Shanghai, Shanghai, China, on Feb. 9, 1929. Secretary to the President of University of Shanghai, March 1, 1929 - Nov. 20, 1940. Also taught English and typing in the University of Shanghai. Deputy Treasurer of the University of Shanghai. Oct. 15, 1937 - Nov. 20, 1940. Took graduate work in Berkeley Baptist Divinity School and University of California, Berkeley, California. Returned to U. S. A., arriving at San Francisco on Dec. 8, 1940. Unable to return to China after furlough, so worked in office of treasurer of American Baptist Foreign Mission Society, New York, N. Y. March 15, 1942 - April 30, 1943. Elected treasurer of Woman's American Baptist Foreign Mission Society as of May 1, 1943. Took extension course in New York University, New York City. 1944 appointed as a member and secretary of the Board of Founders of the University of Shanghai. Was treasurer of the Vellore Christian Medical College Board, and of the American Board of Founders of the Woman's Christian Medical College, Shanghai, China.

Isaac Blair Harris named his daughter Marguerite, Maggie, because that was the name of his favorite cousin. Estelle Harris said that her cousin Mariam Archibald wrote a letter saying that Isaac was reared as her brother in her mother's home, and he was very pampered and spoiled. Isaac's aunt who reared him was Mariam Daniels who married Charles Archibald.

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Isaac Harris sold a farm in spring of 1937 and bought a home in Fort Collins, Colo.

Warren Lorenzo Root, born at Salubria, Idaho, June 13, 1906. Electrician, married Florence Elizabeth Wells, April 30, 1927. High school at Weiser, Idaho. Moved to California in Feb. 1943. Employed by Douglass Aircraft, Long Beach, Calif. After that was moved to Burbank, Calif., where he was employed as an electrician.

Lewis Edwin Root, born at Salubria, Idaho, Nov. 18, 1908. High School at Weiser, Idaho. Attended Link's Business College, Boise, Idaho. Bookkeeper, Home Lumber and Coal Company, In Weiser, Twin Falls, Boise, Buhl, and Caldwell, Idaho. Married Nina Ingram April 7, 1932. Moved to Santa Monica, Calif., in spring of 1943, employed by Douglass Aircraft. Moved to Willamina, Ore., in summer of 1943. Has three children: Manley Lewis Root, born Feb. 7, 1933; William Root, born March 16, 1937; Eileen Toynette Root, born April ___, 1935. Was also bookkeeper in a finance company in Portland, Oregon.

Howard Sidney Root, born at Salubria, Idaho, May 26, 1911. High School at Weiser, Idaho. Two years at Oregon State College, Corvallis, Oregon. Bus driver for Greyhound Bus Company. Married Fern Kirchner Jan. 19, 1941 at Connell, Wash. Has one child, Jerilynn Gertrude Root, born Aug. 19, 1942 and a girl, Marilyn Root born Oct. ___, 1946."

(Note: Some facts have been added to this statement by Annie E. Root, 2/16/44)

LETTER FROM MRS. I. L. ROOT, WEISER, IDAHO, TO MRS. GEORGE ELTON HARRIS

"We were glad to hear from you and are so glad your church is so active and alert. Also glad the four of your children and their families spent Christmas with you. Children are so much fun at Christmas time especially and your Uncle and I always enjoy them.

None of ours live near enough us to come for the holidays but your uncle's brother's daughter teaches in Ontario which is fifteen or twenty miles from Weiser and she spends her winter vacations with us and that helps to make the occasion more enjoyable. This year the three of us spent the day with Aunt Carrie and Uncle Urb and their son Ivan who was home for Christmas. Needless to say that we had a nice time. Poor Uncle Urb could not eat but sat at the table and joined in the conversation.

New Year's Elton Over and his family were here visiting his folks and all of the Over's were here for New Year's dinner and that day Uncle Urb felt better and ate some.

Aunt Carrie being older than I can remember and so tell you more about our family history than I can. I think but am not at all certain that Nathan Noah Elton was my father's father but I am not certain enough to say he was. I do know that Edwin Nathan was my father's name.

If you sent the picture of Grandfather and Grandmother (Polly) Baxter, I have not seen it. Perhaps Aunt Carrie has it. I phoned her and she says she has not, so I guess you did not send it, or it got lost on the way.

Not knowing what pictures Aunt Carrie sent of us, I do not know what to send. Enclosed is a small one of a group of us but do not know as it is anything you can use. Of course you know which is your uncle and me. Between Ira's and my heads is Warren Lorenzo, our oldest son. Next to him is Howard Sidney, our youngest son. The one you saw at Estelle's at Fort Collins. The third man is Lewis Edwin, our middle son. The girl next to me is Elizabeth (Betty to us) Warren's wife and the one at the end is Nina, Lewis' wife. In front of Nina is Manley Lewis, next William Edwin, and Eileen Toinette, Lewis and Nina's three children. These pictures were taken before Howard and Fern were married and they have been married seven years and have two nice little girls. The oldest 5½ years and the baby 14 months.

I cannot tell you much about Aunt Carrie's missionary work. She worked as a home missionary for several years in Colo., and for a short time in Idaho. After father's death and the town of Cambridge became the town she rode horseback from Salubria, Ida., where they were living with us after father's passing and organized the Baptist church in Cambridge and several years later was ordained. But as to poicing her work together I cannot.

a Lorenza Root graduated from college with
hest honors. He worked eighteen years for a
il road company. In later life he owned a
all farm on which he grew vegetables for
arket. His death occured on May 19, 1951,
Weiser, Idaho.

Edwin's address is Edwin C. Elton, 2072 E. Oakwood, Pasadena 7, Calif. but he left home years ago and is 8 years younger than Aunt Carrie and I feel sure will not be able to help you.

Will be glad to have a photostatic copy of my birth record so when you get one please let me know what it cost and I will remit."
(Jan. 4, 1948, Weiser, Idaho)

MISS ANNIE E. ROOT

"Miss Annie E. Root is a member of the faculty of Shanghai University and secretary to T. K. Van, President. She went there at a time when great changes impended both in the nation and in the university. Miss Root was born in Idaho and she graduated from Linfield College, McMinnville, Oregon, where she took the degree of B. A. Besides serving as secretary to the President, she taught typing and English in the Middle School of Shanghai and English in the College.

Miss Root has been in Shanghai during difficult and dangerous times. When Dr. H. C. E. Liu was assassinated she continued to serve, carrying on nobly. The University classes have had to be conducted off the campus, in the city's downtown section, in cooperation with refugee schools. As it is not yet possible to move the University classes back to the campus, quarters have been expanded in various buildings, including the True Light Building owned by Baptists, so rather a high standard of educational work is being done. The Middle School occupies the premises in the morning, the University classes are in the afternoon and in the evening the Night School classes are carried on. Hence one can see that all buildings are fully utilized. For many years the University of Shanghai has limited the colleges to an enrollment of 600 students. During this school year it has grown to the 780 mark. Her story will be vital and timely.

Miss Root arrived in San Francisco on December 8, 1940." DATA PUBLISHED BY NORTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION.
Feb. 1942
NORTHERN ~~Southern~~ Baptist Convention
New York, N. Y.

ANNIE IS
5 ft. 9½ inches tall, brown hair, blue eyes. Inclined to become anaemic. Annie Root's mother has her old pump organ at home in Idaho.

EDWIN CHURCHILL ELTON

Born Dec. 14, 1878 the son of Edwin Nathan Elton & Mary Irene Baxter. Married Cora Dale. Where and when married? Lived in California how long? 1947-48 lived 2072 East Oakwood, Pasadena 7, Calif. Occupation - linotype.

Alene Elton-Harns: Born March 15, 1906. Graduated Alameda, California high school. Attended College of Pacific. Married Gilbert Marion Harns September 10, 1928. No children. Has been (and still is) working in Pasadena Light and Water Department for 12 years.

Eunice Virginia Elton: Born May 9, 1912. Graduated Pasadena High School 1928. Graduate Pasadena Junior College, 1930. A. B. Degree 1932 Leland Stanford University, magna cum laude, major is psychology. M. A. 1933 Leland Stanford University, in psychology. May 1951 she was working with the government Employment Agency in San Francisco - She served in the Waves in W W II.

Honors - Phi Beta Kappa, scholastic; Sigma Delta Pi, national honor society, in Spanish; Associate Member Sigma Xi, national honor research society in science. Held Gertrude Gardiner Scholarship 1931-32 (Stanford); held Roble Hall Scholarship 1932-33 (Stanford). Life member California Scholarship Federation--high school scholastic honor society, state-wide. Member Order of Mast and Dagger, Junior College honor service organization.

Employed - February, 1934-June, 1934, City Employment Bureau, Pasadena; July, 1934-October 1937, Registrar of Santa Rosa Junior College; October, 1937 to present, State of California, Department of Employment--at present manager of office in Porterville, California.

Edwin Churchill Elton named Churchill because he was born on his uncle Cyrus Churchill's birthday, December 14. Edwin had a formal education through grade school. His parents did not like the teacher who was not a Christian, so they allowed Edwin to stop attending school. Edwin and wife Cora devoted much time to helping the G. A. R. and old soldiers. Their home in Pasadena is a historic house, over 100 years old in 1948. Cora Dale Elton taught school at Weiser, Idaho, before her marriage. She had red hair. She spent many years after her marriage in the realestate business. Mr. Elton was a very active member of the Masonic lodge. He said his mother's people the Baxters all had the bad fault of a "know it all," streak. He has the Edwin Nathan Elton Civil War record--the enlistment and discharge papers.

1. Mary Sortore (Polly Salter) b. Chautauqua, N. Y. 1/2/1797 d. Dec. 1876 or Jan. 1877 in CORDOVA, Ill. married Albert Gallatin Baxter of New York State, Moved to Ill., by way of lumber raft of his brother. Moved when daughter Sarah Ann was 17--so about 1845. Albert had a cousin Gilmore who led a "gold band" In Montana.

2. Charity Sortore b. 9/7/1794 married Charles Thompson, had two sons.

3. Lordnah Sortore b. 6/27/1792 d. 9/30/1863 married William Early b. 6/28/1772 d. 4/28/1864 Lived in Friendship N. Y. He in Civil War.

1. Sarah (Sally) Ann Baxter b. June 16, 1828 at Chautauqua, N. Y. Died at Boulder, Colo. on Feb. 24, 1907. Married Wm Fisk Hunter in Illinois.
2. George Baxter
3. Elijah Baxter lived in Butte, Montana M. Elizabeth ___?___ He 9 yrs younger than Sarah, so born about 1837.
4. (Phoebe) Mary Irene Baxter M. Edwin Nathan Elton.
5. David Stout Baxter married but died before a son David was born. Wife remarried 1 yr later. Son David lived with his grandmother Mary Sortore Baxter till 16 then lived with Sarah Ann Baxter Hunter in Colorado.
6. Unknown
7. "
8. "
9. "

1. Mary d. at Milan Ill., at age 7 yrs. 1859
2. Hulda Hunter
3. Lella Hunter
4. Martha Hunter Died as children
5. Albert Milton Hunter b. July 23, 1861--lived in Glendora, Calif. died 1941. Married Cora Hicks.
   1. William Hunter
   2. Pearl ~~K.~~ Hunter Charley Lewis. They had son Wyatt and dau. Corabelle. MARRIED
6. Clara Irene Hunter m. Nelson King on Nov. 7, 1883 died at 76.
   1. Stella King m. Sellers had 3 children.
   2. Mary King
   3. Clarence King
   4. William King
   5. Helen King
   6. Mildred King
7. Ella Hunter born March 1, 1868 M. Dan Bracy in 1891.
   1. Sarah Bracy b. 1892 at Valmont Colorado m. Roy Walker
   2. Haynes Bracy killed in mine in Boulder, Colo.
   3. Ruby d. at 4 yrs.
   4. Albert b. 1908 Globe, Arizona
   5. Dorothy d. 1939 age of 19 or 20.
8. William Hunter d. 1865 at 2 yrs in Idaho Springs.

1. Mary Lillian Elton b. 4/18/1866 m. Isaac B. Harris b. 1859.
2. Sarah E. Elton b. 6/16/1868 d. 9/22/1869.
3. Carrie Ida Elton b. 2/26/1871 m. Urban Meade Over.
4. Edwina Julia Elton b. 1/19/1874 m. Ira Lorenzo Root b. 10/6/1869.
5. Lettie May Elton b. 3/13/1876 d. 9/20/1892
6. Edwin Churchill Elton m. Cora Dale.

1762

Charity Stout (b. 1762) married Henry Sortore (b. 1757)
Her father was Nathaniel Stout who married two sisters, the daughters of Zebulon Stout, Charity and Sarah.

Charity Stout
or
Sarah Stout

Charity Burrows
MARRIED
Zebulon Stout

Charity Stout
b. 1762

Nathaniel Stout
Had a brother
Nehemiah
Had a sister Rebecca
who married Isaac
Eaton 26 yrs. pastor
of Hopewell N. J.
Bapt. Church

_____

David Stout

Ann Merrill
_____
William Merril

David Stout

Rebecca Ashton
m. in 1688
Her sister Alice
m. Obadiah Holmes

Richard Stout
b. about 1667 or
1669

Penelope Van Princess
m. 1642-43
Richard Stout
b. about 1602.

John Stout
of Notting-
hamshire,
England.

Penelope Van Princess and Richard Stout had 7 sons and 3 daughters. Their son Jonathan born about 1646 was the seed of the Hopewell N. J. Baptist Church. He married Anna Bollen 8/27/1685.

Did any of <u>these</u> Stouts serve in the Revolutionary War?

Elijah Baxter born 1837 lived in Butte, Montana. He married and had no children. He and his wife lived in a very meager fashion but were able to will a large sum of money to the city of Butte. None to relatives.

H. R. Sortore cashier of State Bank of Belmont, N. Y. says, "A Miss Kate Baxter in New York has Baxter family records. He also thinks a Mr. R. J. Baxter at 72 Knowlton Avenue, Kenmore N. Y. 17 is related.

A book by Frances Baxter "The Baxter Family" does not list an Albert Gallatin Baxter or his children but does name a John W. Baxter who lived in Friendship, New York in 1820, 1828, 1830, 1834--1838--and 1856. He was a lumberman, so he moved to nearby villages often. He had several children. Dorcus born April 11, 1815; Henry born January 11, 1817; Nancy born November 28, 1818; James born November 28, 1819 and Richard Brush born February 28, 1822. These Baxters may have been cousins to Albert Gallatin Baxter.

Albert G. Baxter was very musical. His death was caused by taking an overdose of laudanum--he was ill, tried to get relief but accidentally took too much medicine.

Mary Irene Baxter born in Friendship, New York--1843, her father was Albert Gallatin Baxter.

Oliver 4 Baxter migrated to Hempstead Queen's County, New York. On April 24, 1748 Oliver Baxter bought land on CowNeck--6 Acres.

In Boston Public Library "The Baxter Family," by Frances Baxter

page 105 we have a Charles Carroll 8 Baxter (John W. 7, John 6, Pettit 5, John 4, John 3, Thomas 2, Thomas 1) born in Friendship, New York Dec. 15th 1840 so he must have been a first cousin of Mary Irene Baxter who was born there 3 years later as he was not her brother.

John W. 7 (See Above) was born at North Salem in 1792. His father John 6 removed to Milton in 1804 & to Broadalbin, Montgomery County about 1809, where he married Mary McQueen daughter of James and Grizel (Waterman) McQueen and grand-daughter of Alexander and Isabel (Moore) McQueen. Alexander McQueen came to America from Scotland before the Revolution.

Grizel (Waterman) McQueen of Pittsfield, Mass--father was Asa Waterman, English.

Mary McQueen was born at Mayfield N. Y. June 17, 1796, Died Sept. 17, 1880 at Friendship. Married to John W. Baxter Feb. 17, 1814 at Mayfield by Elder Nichols.

John W. 7 Baxter after marriage removed to Palatine in 1815 and to Friendship in 1820, to Caneadea in 1825, to Friendship in 1828, to Caneadea in 1829, to Friendship in 1830, to Olean in 1832, to Friendship in 1834, in 1838 from South-eastern part of Friendship to North-western part. In 1856 he removed to Friendship village where he died March 29, 1862. Was a farmer and lumberman.

They had:

Dorcas born April 11, 1815	These boys were not
Henry born Jan. 11, 1817	the father of
Nancy born Nov. 28, 1818	Mary Irene
James born Nov. 28, 1819	Baxter as he was
Richard Brush born Feb. 28, 1822	Albert Gallatin Baxter.

John Baxter (6) was a Revolutionary soldier record p 71 "The Baxter Family" by Frances Baxter. (See in Boston Public Library) About 9 Baxters of New York were Revolutionary soldiers.

Friendship, New York--History of Allegany Co. N. Y. 1879 p 272-289
N. Y.-82-1
Holland Land Company sold sites 1806 for Friendship
John W. Baxter came to Friendship in 1820 according to the statement of his son Henry. Served in the Revolution and came from Montgomery Co. on foot. He selected lot no. 9. He was the father of Professor James W. Baxter of the Baxter University of music and Henry Baxter (historian) Bought 364 acres. Also father of Charles Carroll Baxter and see other children's names.

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nded
1853

Town officers were Supervisor (1815 on) Henry Baxter 1843.

Colonel Samuel King in an early day built a grist mill in the eastern part of the village, now owned by J. L. Baxter.

Baptist Church 1822 organized into a church. Mrs. Polly Baxter and Nancy McQueen were the first persons baptized.

James W. Baxter President of University of Music born in Palatine, Montgomery County 1819 came to Friendship 1820 with his parents.

John L. Baxter, Miller born in Olean in 1832 and came to Friendship with parents when 1 year old in 1856 he removed to Cattaraugus County (10 yrs there) then back to Friendship. Lumbering--wife was Miss Ellen Phelon a native of Ireland who came to America in 1851.

John Baxter 6 was a Revolutionary soldier of New York. He lived at North Salem in 1792 because notes say a son John W. 7 was born there. He removed to Milton in 1804 and to Broadalbin in Montgomery County about 1809. I think he is our line.

LETTER FROM MRS. ELLA BRACY, CASA GRANDE, ARIZONA, ON AUGUST 1, 1948

Dear Mrs. Harris:

Your letter written to me at Globe reached me at Sarah's yesterday. My mother in a wheel chair for five years had me write family history. Began with Father William Fisk Hunter. Mother Sarah Ann Baxter born June 16, 1828 at Chautaqua, New York (then I add that at the age of 17 she and her father Albert Baxter went to Illinois partly at least on a raft.) She was the oldest of five children. George, lost at sea, ran away from home. David Stout married--died before son David was born. His wife married one year later, gave babe to his grandmother Mary or Polly Sortore Baxter. He, young David, when perhaps 16 came to Idaho Springs, Colorado to live with Aunt Sarah Hunter and married there. He lived for years in Colorado, then in California, died there over 80 years of age. My brother Albert Milton born July 23rd 1861 probably five years younger than David Junior. Elijah, 3rd son was nine years younger than Sarah--no children. Mary Irene was fifteen years younger than Sarah - ~~no children~~. Mary Irene was fifteen years younger than Sarah (Mother). Sarah Ann Baxter Hunter died at Boulder, Colorado on February 24, 1907. Clara Irene Hunter (Sarah's daughter) was married at Valmont, Colorado to J. Nelson King by E. Elton on November 7, 1883; grandfather present, he died, I judge, two years later at Fort Collins, Colorado. I was born at Idaho Springs, Colorado on March 1, 1868. Think I was about six years of age when Grandma Baxter died, I'm just guessing. However, Mother said Grandma was nine years older than Grandfather and he outlived her nine years. Each being 79 years at time of death. I think Grandmother was buried in the lot with my four sisters who were buried in Illinois before my Father and Mother left Illinois for Colorado. (Spring of 1861) : Mary died at Milan, September 8, 1859; Huldah died at Milan, June 31, 1857; Lella died at Milan, January 23, 1860; Martha died at Milan, Illinois on February 8, 1860. Mary was seven years old when she died of quick consumption. Others were babies-one buried at the cemetery while one born at the house. A son, William, died at Idaho Springs, Colorado in 1865. Mother (Sarah Ann) died at Boulder, Colorado on February 24, 1907. Her brother, Elijah Baxter, died two days later at Butte, Montana. He had a stroke the day Mother died - came home and died at Butte, Montana. My son, Haynes Bracy, was killed by a slide in a gold mine near Boulder. Dorothy, my daughter, died two years after her father. So I have daughter Sarah, Mrs. J. Roy Walker, at Casa Grande, Rt. 1, Box 162 and Albert at Globe, Arizona. He works for Miami Copper Company. Married son William A. also at work with Miami Company as a truck driver. Albert has nine children. Earle Gene in Greenland Air Force, CPL, only 18 years. Sarah has son Wallace also 18. Lost triplett girls Dorothy, Diana and Deloris. Am sending photos(Sis has duplicate of Uncle Edwin and Aunt Irene). David Baxter photo made from degaratype, a picture of two Elton girls and a Harris boy. Enclosed photo is Grandma Baxter's sister Lorena Sortore and husband William Early. Mother called Sortores Dutch Jersey. An uncle Alex Thompson, his wife Charity Sortore, was Lorena's sister. New York.

LETTER FROM MRS. ELLA BRACY, CASA GRANDE, ARIZONA ON SEPTEMBER 20, 1948

Dear Mrs. Harris:

In answer to your letter:--Sarah Ella Hunter and Daniel Haynes Bracy married October 14, 1891 at Valmont, Colorado. Sarah Margarett born August 25, 1892 Valmont. William Haynes born March 26, 1896 at Boulder, Colorado. Ruby May born September 14, 1898--died May 31, 1899. Albert Hunter Bracy born February 22, 1904 at Boulder. Dorothy Irene Bracy born March 20, 1908 died March 6, 1939 at Boulder, Colorado. I have written Mary Bingley for information on marriages of she and Charles--Clarence and Velva, Pogson, Nebraska--and William and Lillie Berkman, Boulder--Helen and Roy Day of Astoria, Oregon. And Mildred and Art Rinnell, Astoria of now Kirkland, Washington and Carnation, Washington. Mary Portland Oregon. My son William Haynes Bracy and Helen Cramer married March 17, 1926. Albert Hunter Bracy and Mabel Enoch married in Boulder on June 23, 1924. Roy Walker and Sarah Bracy married Phoenix, Ariz., on May 22, 1927. Sons Burch born August 14, 1928 died and Wallace born March 17, 1930 at home now. Tripletts Dorothy, Diana and Deloris--one died at birth, one died at two hours of age and Diana died at five months of age. Haynes daughter June Lott born December

19, 1922, Boulder. Clarence H. born March 4, 1924. Sarah Ella born June 7, 1930. My son Albert has nine children--Gene in Greenland as a flyer. All live in Boulder, Colorado now.

A. Milton Hunter born July 23, 1861 in Idahoe Springs, Colorado married Cora Hicks on February 22, 1882 at Denver, Colorado. Milton and Cora were the parents of: William Hunter born March 13, 1887 in Valmont, Colorado near Boulder; Pearl born October 6, 1884 in Valmont, Colorado and she married Charley Lewis on June 15, 1905. Pearl had two children, Wyatt and Corabelle. Albert Milton Hunter's occupation was a drayman and farmer, then after he became a victim of diabetes he was an electrician and magazine agent. Clara Irene Hunter married on November 7, 1883 at Valmont, Colo.--she had a daughter Stella Bell born August 17, 1884 at Valmont, Colorado. Mary Alberta born January 18, 1887 at Valmont. William Hunter King date birth September 7, 1892. Clarence Elton born January 22, 1890. Two sons eldest Clarence died 1933. Helen J. born March 4, 1898 Valmont. Mildred Irene born July 11, 1905 at Boulder, Colorado. Stella Bell married James Sellers at Boulder, Colorado on November 11, 1903. Charles L. Lewis and Pearl Hunter married at Boulder on June 15, 1905. William Fiske Hunter and Ereell Rundel married in Los Angeles, Calif., on February 22, 1908; had two children Walter Fisk and Virginia both married. Address William Fisk Hunter at Visalia, California on 701 South Church Street. Wyatt Lewis works Orange Pectin Plant in Ontario, California. Albert's children are: Dan 22; William Albert 20 years and wife 20; Earl Gene lived and reached 6 years; Betty May 16; Ronald Lee 12; Helen Joyce 10 years; Roy 8 years; Margarett Ann 4 years; Robert Joe 2 years.

Great Grands: June Lott daughter 9 years; Billie 6 years, home is Jamestown near Boulder, Colorado. Haynes daughter and grands Haynes killed in the Slide Mine in ore slide near Jamestown. He and Sarah graduates of State University of Colorado. If I hear from Mary I will send on information.

ISAAC BLAIR HARRIS

No vital records are kept in Truro, Nova Scotia. Vital records are kept in Halifax, Nova Scotia by the Deputy Registrar General and none previous to the year 1864 had been collected in 1939. A history of Colchester County, Nova Scotia, kept in the New England Historical and Genealogical Hall in Boston states that the brothers Dr. John Harris and Matthew Harris were sent with a vessel of passengers from Philadelphia to survey and colonize a region about Truro, so were early settlers of Pictou in 1767 and Truro in 1776. John or Matthew may be the ancestor of Isaac Blair Harris. Pictou

Isaac Blair Harris was born on a farm owned by his father several miles from Truro, Nova Scotia, near a community known as Beaver Creek. (Some say Beaver Brook down old Barnes way 8 or 10 miles from Truro) In 1936 a Mr. Archibald, a relative, lived in a new house on that farm. In 1934 the old farmhouse was gone but the Old Well remained and rhubarb grew where the garden had been; a steep hill on that farm is still called "Harris Hill". In July 1934, Rev. Geo. Elton Harris visited Truro and his aunt, Mrs. Robert Kaulback (Rebecca Harris, b. 1852 - d. 1/28/1941) and relatives took him to visit that farm. Isaac was born May 5, 1859, the son of George and Sarah (Daniels) Harris. He attended the elementary school and graduated from the 8th grade. He left home at the age of 14, and in 1880 at age of 21 he came to United States. A brother George who had married their first cousin Nancy Archibald, daughter of Charles Archibald and Miriam (Daniels) Archibald, of Truro, Nova Scotia, came later. The brothers immigrated because of the gold and silver boom in Colorado. Isaac Blair spent several months in Idaho Springs and Middle Park, Colorado, then he settled near Fort Collins and bought a 40-acre farm 3 miles west of that town where the old Oregon Trail marked the prairie. Here he met the Baptist minister's daughter Mary Lillian Elton (b. April 18, 1866--died Dec. 28, 1931) and they were married in Fort Collins Dec. 24, 1885. Soon he homesteaded land (160) acres near the present site of Wellington, Colo., and used the prairie for a cattle and sheep ranch. Herding an average of 500. He was naturalized Feb. 7, 1898. Later sold the homestead and bought 100 acres adjoining the Fort Collins farm and 40 acres from Mrs. Dierks.

Nine children were born to this union. They lived in a small frame house of 6 rooms. Times were difficult and Isaac Blair was not practical enough to raise a garden to supply adequate food for his family--he did not love to irrigate, he came from a land of heavy rainfall and short seasons. He provided stingily and trouble arose between Isaac and Mary Lillian whose strength was far overtaxed from bearing so many children. In the summer of 1904 he left his family, deeding only the house and 40 acres to his wife. He pursued his farming and stock raising on his farms near Fort Collins. His children visited him but he never offered them financial aid. His daughter Edna wrote: "Invested in every get rich quick scheme and lost all his investments." Edna closed his estate and therefore saw all his business papers.

He met Miss Carolyn Belle Younkin (b. March 27, 1866--d. April 11, 1941) In Cincinnati, Ohio, and married her in Chicago June 5, 1918, then moved to a home northwest of Fort Collins. (Carolyn was the daughter of Moses Younkin born in Pennsylvania who married Frances Carter of Ohio.) No children were born to this union as both were past middle age. Shaking palsy began in one hand before 1919 when he was 60 years old. His second wife was very faithful and carefully cared for him all the years he was an invalid. He became almost tyrannical in his demands in his last years. He died in Fort Collins Jan. 30, 1939 and is buried there. He was 80 years old. Carolyn's interment was at Agency, Iowa.

Notes by Mary Lillian (Elton) Harris say Isaac was the youngest child of 6 children, 2 boys and 4 girls. His father died when Isaac was 11 years of age and his mother died of heart disease when he was 9. He was apprenticed to a nearby blacksmith till he was 14. His brother George and wife who immigrated with him to Colorado are buried with their 2 children in the Harris lot of Grand View Cemetery in Fort Collins, Colorado, on Mountain Blvd. Isaac's sister, Mrs. Robert Kaulback (Rebecca Harris) who lived on Harmony Road, Truro, Nova Scotia, died from a fall downstairs when she was 89 years old, Jan. 28, 1941. In 1934 her son Roland lived next door to Rebecca and her daughter Mrs. Frank Sweet (Laura Kaulback who died June 20, 1940) lived in Truro. Mrs. Frank Sweet's daughter Mrs. Burton Huntley lived in 1941 on Harmony Road, R. R. 3, Truro, which is only on the edge of that city.

Isaac was a well built man about 5 ft. 11 in. tall, blue eyes, reddish brown hair, right-handed, did not drink liquor or smoke. Had kidney trouble when in his thirties. Loved to raise prize sheep--one year he won first prize in Chicago stockyards on best car lot of sheep.

I. B. bought a nice new automobile in Denver 65 miles away, had one hour or more driving lesson then drove to his farm home. Next morning he tried to take it out of the garage but went plunging through the rear wall with no injury whatsoever to the driver.

A history of Larimer County Colorado contains a picture of I. B. Harris. The Weld County Pioneer History has a brief sketch about I. B. Harris.

REAL NORTH PARK HUNTING

To the Express-Courier:

This hunting season reminds me of a hunting trip I made to North Park fifty years ago this month in company with Joe Montgomery and John Groove. There was no "game law" at that time in this state. You could kill all you wanted to if you were a good shot. We had bad luck on the first part of our trip and lost one horse because he got too much corn chop. We had to return about fifteen miles from Tie Siding and buy another horse. Then proceeded on our way to North Park again. There were very few fences in the park at that time and you could camp any place you wanted to. We camped near the Platte river about five miles from what is now called North Gate. We had pretty good luck hunting and while there had a severe snowstorm. Over two feet of snow fell next day or two. Sun came out and melted the snow then it turned very cold and froze a crust over it that we could walk on. We waited two weeks before the roads were passable so we could travel again. But when they got passable, they were not much like they are now.

Our methods of saving meat was very wasteful at that time. We skinned out the front quarters and head and threw them away and wrapped what we called the saddles or hindquarters in the hide. I killed thirty-nine antelope and the other two killed thirty-eight. We returned with a four-horse load of antelope. We sold them to J. C. Evans, C. R. Evan's father, who operated a meat market in a small building where the Patterson Drug Store is now. So ended our hunting trip in October, 1882.

I. B. HARRIS (1932)

I.

Asa C Daniels (English) married Mariam ? (Scotch)
- Eunice married Slack
- Vinie married Dave Fields — Sam Fields
- Sarah married George Harris
- William married Katherine Ripley
  - Mariam
  - William
  - Margaret
- Mariam married Chas. Archibald
- Jane married William Cotton

Eunice Daniels married Solomon Slack
- Fanny married Harvey McLean
- Christie married Sam Fields (first cousins)
- George Robert married ?
- Ivan married Lidia Slack (were they related-cousins?)

Vinie Daniels married Dave Fields
- Sam Fields married Christie Daniels (a first cousin)

Sarah Daniels (red hair) married George Harris
- Isaac Blair married Mary Lillian Elton
- Rebecca married Robert Kaulback (Rebecca had light blue eyes
- George married Nancy Archibald (a first cousin)
- ? Old notes from Mrs. Lillian Harris say there were 2 boys and 4 girls - Isaac was the youngest.
  - Mary
  - Martha
  - Rebecca b. 1855 d. 1/28/1941 - APRIL - 2 - 1851
  - Maggie
  - George
  - Isaac b. May 5, 1859 d. Jan.30, 1939

William Daniels married Katherine Ripley
- Mariam
- William
- Margaret

Mariam Daniels married Charles Archibald
- Asa
- Nancy married George Harris (a first cousin)
- Margaret, Mariam — old maids
- Charles married Eunice Odelkirk
- Dave
- Julia married Berry or Barry Totten
- Polly married Jim Porter, had 1 child Clara

Jane Daniels married William Cotton
- Minerva married Hingley ?
- Lizzie married John Scott
- Polly married Jim Marr — had sons John WILLIAM
- Bertram
- Asa

II.

George Harris and Nancy Archibald's 2 children are buried in Ft. Collins, Colorado. Both parents died young.

Charles Archibald married Eunice Odelkirk ODELKIRK
- Sam lived in Buffalo, N. Y.
- Florence died young
- Billie married a Clark (does he live on old HARRIS farm at Truro?)
- Ralph died
- Hattie married ? Crowe - lived in Jamaica PlaINS Mass.

Julia Archibald married Berry Totten
- Charles married and he had BERTHA
  - Harry
  - Douglas
  - Arthur
  - 1 daughter

III.

Rebecca Harris
married
Robert Kaulback

- Albert married Mary Reed — Aldrich
- Laura married Frank Sweet —
  - Rose Sweet
  - Robert
  - Arthur
  - Violet
  - Charles
  - Russell
- Katherine married Paul E. Buckley
  No children in 1936
- Alice married Robert Fitzgerald
  - Tom
  - Madeline
  - Myra
  - Robert
  - Raymond
  - Laura
  - Rose
  - Francis
  - Ross
- Arthur - bachelor
- Roscoe married Lena Crocker
  - Ruth married Fred Cox
- Roland married May Reed

Isaac Blair HARRIS
MARRIED
MARY LILLIAN ELTON

- Arthur
- Elton
- Margarete
- Edna
- Estelle
- Carrol
- Lillian
- Elverd
- Verda

The Postmaster has handed me your card of Aptil 20th, 1943, in it asking of descendants of Dr. John Harris and I beg to advise I am one of his great great grandsons, being the oldest son of Joseph Simpson Harris who was Sheriff of this County for over 40 yrs. He is the son of William H. Harris who was Sheriff for about 30 years and was the son of the first Sheriff, John Washington Harris who before being appointed Sheriff was Deputy Sheriff for the District of Pictou which was then part of the County of Halifax and John Washington Harris was a son of Dr. John Harris and was married to his own Cousin a grand daughter of Dr. John Harris's brothers Matthew. This makes me a descendant of both Dr. John and Matthew. I shall be glad to hear from you and to know who your husband is.

Yours truly,

William H. Harris Sheriff of
Pictou, Nova Scotia.

Imogene wrote immediately to him and wrote again June 18,1943

LETTERS FROM WILLIAM H. HARRIS, NOVA SCOTIA, PICTOU.

July 20,1943

Your letters April 28 and June 18 came duly to hand and noted. I should have replied sooner but put it off being busy with other things. Now as far as I can see your husband and I are descendants of Dr. John Harris. I have looked up Thomas Hitlers (?) Book on the Colchester Counties and also Dr. Robert Stewards book "Col. George Stuart and wife Margaret Harris" and from Appendix XX in the Steesant (?) book I will copy the following:

STEWARTS

Dr. John Harris' eighth child was Robert Harris born Nov. 21, 1783 and died Dec. 26,1812. He married Hannah Hoar January 30, 1805 and inherited his father's homestead where he spent all his life. His children were:

1. Ebenezer Hoar Harris, born 1806, died at Onslow Mountain March 1869. He married June 1829, Lavinia Lynds and left one son and two daughters.

2. Eliza Harris born Oct. 21, 1811 and married James Archibald December 31,1833, resided at Clifton, Nova Scotia. Left 3 sons and 1 daughter.

3. Robert Harris, born July 14,1813 and married in 1839 to his Cousin Maria Cock and had following children:

   Walter born 1842, moved to the United States, George born 1844 Moved to the United States and Mary born 1847, Robert born 1849, Isaac born 1852.

From the above and what you tell me I would judge your Husband's father Isaac Blair Harris was the son of Robert Harris, who was the son of Robert Harris the 8th child of Dr. John Harris.

Your letter says Isaac Blair Harris's father was George Harris. Now note, George, son of Robert was born in 1844 and I cannot think that at the age of 15, he would be father of Isaac Blair, born 1859. So I am inclined to think Isaac Blair was born 1852 a brother of George and son of Robert.

Note by Imogene—— Not Correct line but significant in that the name Cock appears which we know is also in George Elton Harris data.

Mrs. George Elton Harris,
80 East Fifth Street,
Peru, Indiana.

February 1st, 1944
Pictou, Nova Scotia

Dear Mrs. Harris:

Yours of the 26th ult. duly to hand and noted, and I have looked up our former correspondence and note all you say; viz:-Your husband was born April 1st 1888, the son of Isaac Blair Harris, who was born May 5th, 1859 and moved to U. S. A. in 1880, and he was the son of George Harris and his wife Sarah Daniels and you are looking for information beyond that. Well, I have searched all the books I have on the subject and so far I am not able to say who George's father was? Why do you think he came from Colchester County? I note in one of your letters you give the place as Beaver Creek. I do not know any place of that name but if it should be Beaver River there is a place of that name down in Digby County and there are lots of families by the name of Harris in that County and the adjoining County of Annapolis, who are no relation of mine so far as I ever heard. But if George came from Colchester County or near Truro, there is a possibility that he was the son of Ebenezer Hoar Harris, the son of Robert Harris, the son of Dr. John. This Ebenezer was born in 1806 and died in 1869. He married Lavinia Lynds in June 1829 and Thomas Miller's Book says he left one son and two daughters but does not give their names. This unnamed son would be born in the 30s and could easily be the father of Isaac Blair born in 1859. All the old Colchester County families were connected by marriage and the names Isaac and Rebecca are quite common. Mrs. Ebenezer Hoar Harris' grandmother was Rebecca Blair. Also there was an Isaac Blair son of Daniel Blair and his wife Rebecca Freeman. He was born June 1st, 1830 and married to Rebecca McHutt Feb. 18th, 1852. If you will allow me to make guess I will say that Ebenezer Hoar Harris' son was George and he likely married a sister of Isaac Blair. They would be about the same age, and that would account for the name. Now that is only deduction and I will have to get in touch with some of the breed in Colchester and see if I am right.

I am quite sure that he (George Harris) was not a descendant of either John Washington Harris or Thomas Harris as I have checked their families and can find no place for your George. I shall make further efforts to learn who he was and if I learn anything will let you know.

Trust your husband's cold is better, I have had one for some days now and find it very hard to get clear of.

Yours truly,

William H. Harris (Sheriff Pictou, Nova Scotia)

Dr. John Harris m. Elizabeth Scott
They moved to Truro 1776

1. Thomas Harris born 1767) William H. Harris says I. B. Harris was not in this line.
   married)
   Alice Logan, daughter of)
   William Logan & Janet Hoor)

2. Mary Harris born 1769, d. 1864) William
   married) Several daughters
   Robert Cock who was son of) Youngest daughter was named Maria. She
   Rev. Daniel Cock) married her 1st cousin Robert Harris

3. Margaret Harris born 1773
   married June 1793
   Joseph Notting

4. Elizabeth Harris born 1775
   married
   John McKeen

5. John Washington Harris b. 1777) They had 8 sons and 4 daughters but Wm. H. Harris says I. B. Harris was not their descendent as he himself is of this line.
   married d. 1860)
   Mary Hadley)

6. Robert Harris b. Nov. 21, 1783) They had:
   d. Dec. 26, 1812)
   married Jan. 30, 1805)
   Hannah Hoar dau of Ebenezer)
   Hoar and Catherine Downing.)
   Hannah's grandmother was)
   Rebecca Blair.)

   1. Ebenezer Hoar Harris b. 1806 d. 1869--he married Lavinia Lynds June 1829, had 1 son, 2 daughters. Perhaps that boy's name was George Harris who married Sarah Daniels and they named a son Isaac Blair Harris.

   2. Eliza Harris b. Oct 21, 1811 married James Archibald Dec. 31, 1833 resided at Clifton Nova Scotia--had 3 sons & 1 daughter.

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   3. Robert Harris b. July 14, 1813 married in 1839 to his 1st cousin Maria Cock. Had children:
      1. Walter born 1842--moved to U. S.) YES
      2. George born 1844-- " " " ")
      3. Mary born 1847---- " " " ") No
      4. Robert born 1849-- " " " ")
      5. Isaac born 1852--- " " " ")
      and Robert born ??

Maria Cock was youngest daughter of Robert Cock who married a Mary Harris.

ARTHUR BLAIR HARRIS

Arthur Blair Harris was born on his father's forty acre farm, three miles west of Fort Collins, Colorado, October 28, 1886. He was the son of Isaac Blair Harris, born May 5, 1859, who married Mary Lillian Elton. Arthur was educated in the rural school near his parents home north of Wellington and later west of Fort Collins, Colorado in school district number ten. He finished two years in the preparatory department of the Colorado Agricultural College. He learned the trade of printing.

He married Miss Nannie Mae Christman on October 23, 1909 in Colorado Springs, Colorado. Nannie was an orphan and lived with her mother's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Smith.

Arthur and Nannie were the parents of Ida Lillian and Virgil Elton Harris.

Arthur established or organized and guided an interdenominational Sunday School in the new number ten school house which was 3/4 of a mile southwest of the old Harris home.

When Ida was about 2 yrs old Arthur moved his family with Rev. M. P. Hunt to Louisville, Kentucky. There he worked in a newspaper office till his wife became sick with tuberculosis of the lungs. The family returned to Colorado but it was of no benefit and Nannie died on September 2, 1917 and

is buried at Fort Collins. Mr. Harris then lived on the farm west of Fort Collins and worked in town with the newspaper "Collins Courier." He did not serve in World War I as he had dependents.

On August 8, 1920 Arthur married Miss Bessie May Briggs (born at Red Oak, Iowa, on October 6, 1891) who was a schoolmate in the rural school west of Fort Collins, Colorado. Miss Briggs studied music, voice and piano in Spandau bei, Berlin, Germany. They were married August 8, 1920 in Fort Collins, Colorado, by Rev. Atkinson of Loveland.

Mr. Harris published the following newspapers:

Name of Paper	Daily, weekly	Place	Years
The Champion (Colorado Prohibition Party Paper)	monthly	Fort Collins	2
Estes Park Trail	weekly	Estes Park, Colorado	10
Encampment Echo	weekly	Encampment, Wyoming	4½

He owned and managed the "Echo Theater" at Encampment, Wyoming, a moving picture theater.

Arthur and Bessie were the parents of three children, Grace, Maurice, and Frances.

A. B. Harris sold his home and business in Estes Park, Colorado, in 1931 and took up land in Wyoming to homestead near Encampment Dec. 26, 1930. He published a newspaper in Encampment and owned a movie theater - Echo Theater. About 1941 he finished proving up on his ranch and named it "Aspenglen Ranch".

Illness and a serious auto accident in April 1939 left Mr. Harris very nervous. Later palsy developed. A. B. never imbibed in intoxicating beverages. Bessie suffered with asthma. Both are industrious, honest, religious people. Both were perfect physically and Arthur was left-handed, 5 ft. 10 in. tall, slight of build, brown haired and blue eyes. First, last and always, A. B. Harris was a newspaper man.

A. B. Harris was a member of the following clubs or organizations:

First Baptist Church, Fort Collins, Colo.
First Baptist Church, Loveland, Colo.
22nd & Walnut Baptist
West Broadway Baptist Church, Louisville, Ky.
Baptist Church, Wellington, Colo.
Supt. of Presbyterian Sunday School, Estes Park, Colo.
Odd Fellows Lodge
E. P. Golf and Country Club
E. P. Ski Club
Pres. Larimer Co. Sunday School Council, 2 yrs.
Estes Park Chamber of Commerce
Colorado Mountain Club
Supt. S. S. Wellington Congregational, later Wellington Baptist.
Dist. No. 10 Union, at Fort Collins, Presbyterian, Encampment
While secretary of Baracca Men's Class, 22nd & Walnut Baptist Church in 1914, he organized the six-point S. S. record system which has been largely adopted.

Mrs. A. B. Harris (Bessie) was a member of the following clubs or organizations:

Estes Park Music Club - President 1 yr.
Presbyterian Ladies Aid and Missionary Society, Estes Park, Colo.
E. P. Golf and Country Club

The Harris family joined the Presbyterian Church in Encampment, Wyo. Arthur served 2 terms as S. S. Supt. later taught Bible class.

Mrs. A. B. (Bessie) Harris taught high school at New Raymer, Colo., 1918 and 1919, Wellington, Colo., high school 1919 and 1920.

She united with Grand Island, Nebraska Baptist Church at the age of 9.

A. B. Harris owned property:
Press Shop in Estes Park
Ranch - 1120 Acres in Wyoming

Father's name was John Christman. He was a preacher for the Christian Church. Her mother's name was Ida. Nannie had a little brother who died when about 1½ yrs. of age. Her mother and father died of tuberculosis when in Missouri. The orphaned child then lived with her mother's parents, Mr. & Mrs. William Smith. These grandparents lived in the old No. 10 school house which hae been converted into a residence west of Fort Collins, Colo. The # 10 old school was one eighth mile notth and 1 mile west of the Harris farm home. Her grandfather Smith died just before she married Arthur Blair Harris on October 23,1909. (Estelle says that Nannie and Arthur were married in the home of the grandparents) then the grandmother Smith lived in the school house home till Arthur moved to Kentucky. When they first married Arthur and Nannie bought a nice home on Oak Street in Fort Collins and from that house they moved to Wellington where a daughter Ida was born September 21,1910. Grandmother Smith stayed with them awhile. Another move was made to Louisville, Kentucky, about 1912. A son Virgil was born August 9,1913. Nannie became ill with tuberculosis, so the family moved to Colorado for her health to late. She died Sept. 2,1917 and is buried at Fort Collins, Colo. Nannie was a natural musician, gifted piano player and loved happy quick tempo in music. She was quick and tidy about her work--was the best "Cherry facer" in that section known as a very quick berry picker. She had brown curley hair and was the same height of Arthur, 5ft-10 inches.

Nannie's grandmother Smith was dearly loved by the whole district. She taught for many years a sunday School class of boy's and girl's in the intermediate group about age fourteen. She was cheerful, pleasant and had wavy hair. The Smith's had lived on a farm in Missouri, then went to Colorado where they owned two acres of land and grew berries to sell. Nannie had two Uncles by the name of Truby A. Smith and John V. Smith. John V. was born March 11, 1865 in Butler County, Penn and died Sept 13,1950, in Colo., He married Lida Herndon at Platte City, Missouri on December 9,1897. This couple came to Colo., in 1903. They had three children, Earnest, Nellie and Ralph. Grandmother William Smith lived the latter part od her life with her son John at Laporte, Colorado.

Colorado Springs, Colorado,
November 2,1951

Dear Mrs. Brown:

Sorry my reply to your letter has been so long delayed. In setting forth what I know of the family history I will make no effort to keep them in order. First will be Charles F. Christman's family. C. F. Christman was a Captain in the Southern Army of the Civil War and where he was born is unknown to us. He had three sons, Horace, chas & John who was Ida my sister's husband. A son was born to them named Chas who died when about 3 yrs of age. Nanny was born in Ridgeley, Mo,. and came to Colorado in 1903. John, Ida and Charles, the son are buried at Ridgely Cemetary and as you know Nanny is buried at Fort Collins , Colo.

My Father, William Smith is a direct descendant of Jeramiah Smith who came to America from County Cork, Ireland in 1792, and located in Pa., and came to Mo. in 1877. He settled at Renich, Mo., removed to Ridgely and then to Colo., 1903

My Mother, Nancy A. Pugh was born at Chillicothe, Ohio . This is about all that I know of her early life. I must explain that if I were in Missouri, I could get the exact date of births and deaths of John, Ida and Charles from the headstone above their graves. My brother and sister-in-law came home to find his brother a very sick man in a Kansas City Hospital, therefore I did not get the facts as I hoped but will get them at some later date if you wish them. I believe that I have misspelled Nannie in the above part of my letter. Nannie is correct. If I have left out anything let me know and I will try to explain.

After reading the above it occured to me that perhaps you would like the names of father's children. one or two died before I was born-- John V., Ida, Virtue J., William B., Truby A and Lillie. and I might add that I am the only one living. My father was born and reared at Lancaster Pa., then migrated to Mo.
I hope this finds all well and happy with you.

Sincerely,
Truby A. Smith
840 E. Kiowa,
Colorado Springs, Colo.

Bessie's cousin Edd Briggs in Chicago has written a family history.

BESSIE MAY BRIGGS

From Media Research Bureau in Washington, D. C.
Name Briggs believed to be derived from residence of its owners at or near a bridge. Families for the most part landed gentry and yeomanry of Great Britain. First Briggs in America, Clement Briggs, who came to Plymouth, Mass., in 1621 (on the 2nd trip of the Mayflower). Character, industrious, keen minded and of high integrity, on the whole, members of the family have been particularly outstanding in the fields of education, theology and literature. Many served in the Revolutionary War.

Bessie May Briggs (b. Oct. 6, 1891) was the daughter of D. J. Briggs (Born 1858 in Alpha, Ill., and died July 24, 1938 at Ault, Colo.)

D. J. Briggs was the son of Daniel Briggs who married Peany Calkins of Scotch descent.

D. J. Briggs married Nettie Francis Cole born Oct. 27, 1860 at Portsmouth, Ohio. D. J. Briggs was an ordained Baptist minister who preached in Arnold, Taylor and Chapman, Nebraska, also Briggs Dale, Colo. Served as Baptist Colporter for short time in northeastern Colo. He was very slight and small of stature. Bessie had brothers Walter Grant and Fred Ellsworth.

Grandchildren:

His father was Daniel Briggs. Bessie's mother was born Oct. 27, 1860 at Portsmouth, Ohio. Her name - Nettie Francis Cole. Her father William Creighton Cole, his father Silas Cole. Grandma Cole was Rhoda Orm Pixley born in Ohio also of Scotch descent. Now Mother told Bessie when Grandpa Cole died he told her brother the family came from Germany and were German aristocracy, but she can't believe they are German. He had no accent. The name Cole is as English as Old King Cole, and now she tells an entirely different story. "I expect my uncle, Dr. Cleve Cole, this summer, and if he does come, I shall ask him. Anyway Grandpa Cole fought in the Civil War. My children are eligible to Daughters of American Revolution and also to Daughters of Veterans. Greatgrandpa Amos Cole was Revolutionary soldier.
"Arthur can tell you about the Harris family. He claims the family is related to the Churchills. He was born near Fort Collins Oct. 28, 1886. I was born Oct. 6, 1891 at Red Oak, Ia.

"Grace Marie Harris, born July 10, 1921 at Fort Collins, Colo. Maurice Arthur Harris, born Oct. 13, 1923, Fort Collins, Colo. Frances Mae Harris, born Jan. 18, 1931, Fort Collins, Colo.

"Arthur and I were married Aug. 8, 1920.

"Yes, Grace is studying Journalism, and is reporter on the school paper. Most of her articles are on the front page. She has had one article in a Los Angeles daily and several in Pomona papers. She says she will never be happy unless she is in newspaper work.

"I asked Ida to write you. Don't know whether she ever will or not.

"I should have said the first Briggs they know anything about was William Atte Brigge, a Saxon nobleman living in County Norfolk, England, before the time of William the Conqueror.

"March 30, 1941." No use to wait longer for Arthur to read the data you sent to us.

"I had a letter from a man in Portsmouth, Ohio asking for Cole family data as he is writing genealogy since I started this. Got part of this information from him. Would seem to disprove any relation to Germany. Cole is one of earliest American families of noble blood. Great grandfather came from Sherborne, N. Y.

Bessie was less than 5'3" tall, straight brown hair, blue eyes, right handed, normal physically but never robust. Very musical.

Maurice Harris graduated from high school with highest honors in 1942. He won a four year scholarship to the University at Laramie, Wyoming, which at that time enrolled 3000 students. He did not go to the University but obtained work in Cheyenne, Wyo.

Jane Elizabeth Evans

Jane Elizabeth was born on November 20, 1915. Jane was educated in Ontario, California, and attended Chaffey College. She was employed by the Bank of America, in Ontario, before marriage. On August 7th, 1938 in Ontario she was married to Virgil Elton Harris.

Jane's father was Lewis P. Evans born in 1872 in Wales the son of David Evans who married a Miss Jane Evans (that was her maiden name).

Jane Elizabeth Evan's mother was Leah Davies born in Wales in 1880 the daughter of John and Jane Davies in Canarvan Shire in Canarvan Shire County—accross the street from the castle where the Prince of Wales was born.

Jane's parents were married in Los Angeles, California on May 10, 1911.

Jane enjoyed robust health—I think she was the only child.

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Grace Marie Harris was born July 10, 1921 in Fort Collins, Colorado. She was the daughter of Arthur Blair Harris and Bessie May Briggs. She was educated in the Estes Park grade school and graduated from the Encampment, Wyoming High School in May 1939. She attended Pomona Junior College, Pomona, California in 1941 and 1942 majoring in journalism. Married Mr. (Lieut.) Clark Gathercole of Army Air corps. Clark became a captain and flew 60 missions during World War II over Europe and Italy. His father was L. O. Gathercole, whose early home was in New Hampshire. Grace and Clark were parents of a son, Gary Leon, born July 7, 1942, who was injured at birth, always an invalid unable to walk or talk, and also a daughter born in the fall of 1947 in Temple City, Montana who was uninjured and normal.

Grace was small and slender with dark brown hair, big blue eyes and a happy smile. Normal mentally and physically.

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Maurice was born October 13, 1923 in Fort Collins, Colorado, the son of Arthur Blair Harris and Bessie May Briggs. Educated in the grade school of Estes Park, Colorado. As a small boy he helped his father in the printing shop. His parents moved to a homestead in Wyoming near town of Encampment. Maurice learned the rancher's life in the summertime, there went to school through the winter months in Encampment. After school hours he assisted his father in publishing a weekly newspaper "Encampment Echo." Also he helped manage a moving picture theater owned by his father. In high school the pupils were given "I. Q." tests, intelligence tests and Maurice had a score of 114, just 2 below genius rating. He graduated from the high school of Encampment, Wyoming. He went into the army October 6, 1943, signing for 4 years of service--wanted to be an air cadet. Due to being short of stature and light weight he was not accepted as a cadet but trained in radio and radar school, never sent overseas in World War II against Germany and Japan. Most of the war period he worked with the United Airlines shops in Cheyenne, Wyoming, in the radio-electric department.

Dark brown hair, blue eyes, quiet, intense nature.

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Frances Mae Harris was born January 18, 1931 in Fort Collins, Colorado. She was the daughter of Arthur Blair Harris and Bessie May Briggs.

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GEORGE ELTON HARRIS

The Rev. Mr. George Elton Harris was born April 1, 1888 on his father's 40 acre farm 3 miles west of Fort Collins, Colorado, the son of Isaac Blair Harris and Mary Lillian (Elton) Harris. He attended a one-room elementary grade school, then the preparatory school of the Colorado Agricultural College in Fort Collins for 3 years. He was baptized when about 12 years of age by Rev. Monroe. He began preaching in 1909 when he was an assistant to Dr. Milliken of the Fort Collins Baptist Church. He usually preached in the Lake Park Mission Chapel. He was granted a license by the Fort Collins Baptist Church to preach the Gospel on April 28, 1909. In September 1907 he went to 1909 Liberty, Missouri, where he completed his academy and college training in William Jewell College with an A. B. and Th.B. degree in 1915.

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Minister; Philomathian; PHi C. D. Inter-Society Debater '13-'14; '14-'15 Inter-Collegiate Debater. '12-'15 -- President Junior Class; President Philomathians; Aeons; President Inter-State Oratorical Association; Wreath and Mallet Club; He is quite a gun in debate as he trembles his voice and explanates fate. Inter-State Oratorical Association comprises eleven States.

While in College, he earned his way doing odd jobs and preaching on Sundays. He preached in Half Rock, Mo., from November 27,1909 to June 1909; at the half-time Bee Creek Baptist Church from April 1,1911 to November 24,1912; at the half -time Dearborn Church from Dec. 18,1911 to Dec. 20,1914; at the half time Weston Church from Nov. 10,1912 till Feb. 28,1915; and half -time Polo Church from Dec. 6,1914 till Sept. 19, 1915. He was ordained in Fort Collins, Colo., as a Baptist minister by the request of the Dearborn, Missouri, Church June 30,1912. His first resident pastorate was at the Belton, Mo., Church in 1915 when he served from March to Sept.

He was active in the Arcadia Heights, Missouri Baptist Assembly located in the Ozark Mountains, serving as Corresponding Secretary in 1915-1916. Sept. 22, 1915, he entered Newton Seminary in Newton Center, Mass., graduating in June 8, 1916 with ~~A.~~ B. D. Degree.

The Kenneth Church in Dunklin County, Missouri, called him as resident pastor Aug., 5,1916. At that time Kenneth was a town of 3,622 population. On Nov., 16, that Church burned to the ground, yet he served there till March 17,1918. During this pastorage he was married January 3,1917, at Polo, Mo., to Miss Imogene Moffett, a daughter of James Thomas and Mary Viola (Bathgate) Moffett. The young couple bought a home October 15,1917 from Mr. Dorsey Pool. On October 2,1917, a son, James Elton was born. While in Kennett he was initinated in the Helm Chapter No. 117 of the Royal Arch Masons. He also acted as a Boy Scout Master. He was not called by the Draft board in World War #1 because the board felt he could render greater service as a pastor. He sold his home in Kennett, Mo., and moved to Sioux Falls, South Dak., in April 1918 to become the Pastor of the largest Baptist Church in either of the Dakotas. He was on that field until Sept., 1921. Church membership 600. Sioux Falls in 1920 had a population of 25,176. They lived in two different rented houses, then the Church which was located on Spring Ave,. at 8th St., bought a small parsonage when Sybil, the second ~~child~~ DAUGHTER was 2 months old. He taught Bible in the College, was active in the Masonic Lodge and took degrees. He bought his first automobile, a Ford in 1918. Two children were born at this town. It was a satisfactory field, but greener pastures beckoned and on October 1,1921 he was called to the Calvary Baptist Church , 9th & Harrison St. Kansas City, Mo., with the agreement that the old Calvary Baptist Church should merge its membership with Westport on 39th & Baltimore and come out to worship there and thus a total of 1,000 members would support the work. The family lived one year in an apartment while a nine room house was being built on 5704 McGee St., at a total cost of $12,000. Helen Louise was born just after they moved into their new home in May, 1923. His salary was $5,200.00 and the Church furnished their Pastor a new Oldsmobile. AUTO.

Trouble begin when the rich Calvary members forgot their agreement and remained down town asking the young assistant Minister to preach for them. Kansas City was then a town of 300,000 population. Rev. H. served on many State and local Baptist Committees and civil projects. The work was very strenuous and he resigned and sold his home in September 1936 and moved to a smaller Pastorate in Billings, Montana. This was the First Baptist Church on 3rd Avenue ~~at~~ North AT Division St. He continued his interest in the Masonic lodge, being a member of the Blue Lodge, Royal Arch and the Knight Templars. Here he belonged to the Kiwanis Serving Club. He and his wife made a trip to the Holy Land in the Summer of 1927 at the cost of $1,485.00 Cash that they had saved. Billings had a membership of 300 and paid a salary of $3,500.00 with a free parsonage east of the Church. Billings was a town of 15,000.

He left this Church on November 4,1928 after two years of satisfactory service to obtain a more complete rest in Estes Park, Colorado, where his brother Arthur owned a printing shop and published a newspaper. He was called to Helena Baptist Church in Montana in 1929 becauseit was a weak group of 100 members in the StateCapitol town. This was the First Baptist Church on 8th Avenue on Warren St., The family lived in a house they rented on 78 West Lyndale Ave. He served that Church one year when the Baptist State Secretary died after an auto accident and the Baptist State Board elected Mr. Harris on August 5,1930, to become State Secretary at salary of $3,500.00 and all expenses paid. He served in this capacity one year when a depression begin and the State Board merged the secretarial work of Montana and Idaho upon the recommendation of Mr. Harris. Sorrow intered the home when a daughter Mary died after a brief illiness in June 1931.

The Baptist Church of Needham , Great Plain Ave and Warren St., Mass., called Rev. Harris in September 1931 at a salaryof $3,500.00 with parsonage located one-half block north of the Church at 101 Warren St., but later when houses were renumbered as 85 Warren St., and this was a most congenial membership except for a few cantankerous cranks. They stayed there 8 years and had a membership of 800 in a city of over 7,000 next to the City of Boston.

BERKELEY - CALIF

Dr. George E. Harries who was honored by an Eastern College. (Newspaper clipping)
Dr. George Elton Harris, Pastor of the First Baptist Church, left yesterday for Liberty, Mo,. where he will attend the centennial Commencement of the William Jewel College and where he will be one of the four men who will receive the honorary degree of the doctor of divinity at the exercises. These four candidates were chosen from the Northern Bapyist Convention., Southern Baptist Convention, Mexican Baptist Conventioh, and Missouri Baptist Convention. Thre local Baptist Church is a member of the Northern COnvention.

Dr. Harris graduated with two degrees from William Jewel College, then graduated from the Andover Newton Theological school of Boston. He did graduate work in Harvard University and the Harvard Divinity School and has been awarded a doctor of divinity degree by the Berkeley Baptist Divinity school of which he is serving as a trustee.

Before coming to Berkeley, Dr. Harris served in pastorates in Missouri, South Dakota, Montana, Massachusetts and Indiana He served as executive Secretary for all Baptist work in Montana and worked out the plan which has now grouped three mountain state under the leadership of one denominational secretary. While pastor in Sioux Falls, S. D.., Dr. Harris taught Bible in Sioux Falls College where he was serving as a trustee. He has served as dean of summer assemblies in four different states. The local church has moved steadily forward under the leadership of Dr. Harris Its annual business meetings was held last week showing a larger amount contributed for the local church than formerly, and a total benevolence giving of $8891 in addition to completing gifts during the last two years to world emergency rebuilding amounting to over $32,000.

In Boston:

Belonged to B. B. Club of Baptist Ministers.
Social Union: Did Post Graduate work in Harvard Divinity School.
Moved to Peru, Indiana, in Miami County, October 20,1939. This church was located on 4th & Wabash, a church with 671 resident , 240 non resident making a total of 911 and later 990. He had a salary of $3,500.00 and parsonage.
Protestant Ministers Club,

INDIANA

President of Loganport Baptist Association
Pastor for annual sermon at Baptist State Convention 1941, Parsonage house on 80 East 5th St.
Peru Rotary Club
Country Club
President of Peru Ministerial Association 1942-1943
On board of USO 1943 during war. United Service Organizations.
Dean of Wawasee Baptist Summer Assembly 1943.

He had an appendectomy July 26,1943.

He was 5' 11½'' tall, weight 170 lbs. light brown hair, blue eyes, right handed, wore glasses, no defects except hernias, developed after age of 30 yrs. He had an excellent speaking voice. He often procrastinated and was inclined to be domineering. He owned a library of over 1,000 books and many files of magazines and religious publications.

Type A Blood
Moved to Berkeley, California, March 1945-population then bit over 100,000.

Berkeley, California First Baptist Church, corner of Dana and Haste, membership in March 1947 was 965. Bought a home on 2636 Warring Street. Salary 1946-47 was $4800, 1947-48, $5000.

In first two years of work 300 new church members were received.

Belonged to the Common's Club.

On board of Trustees of Berkeley Baptist Divinity School.

Bought a large thirteen room home on 2636 Warring Street from E. B. Rossler. It was six blocks from University of California.

Was a member of Berkeley Ministerial Association.

On Tuesday, May 11, 1948, he received the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity from the Berkeley Baptist Divinity School. The ceremony was in his own First Baptist Church auditorium; the occasion of the school's 43rd commencement.

He had a heart attack in February, 1949.

Resigned May 1951 from First Baptist Church of Berkeley. He sold his home on 2636 Warring Street for $19,500. Bought a two hundred acre farm at West Plains Missouri, six miles west of town, for $8,500. He has retired from the active ministry. He has the old Elton family Bible.

Berkeley church disbursments in cash per year were over $45,000 while Rev. Harris was pastor there.

He has his grandfather's, E. Nathan Elton, watch.

The A. N. Marquis Publishing Company of Chicago included a condensed biography of George Elton Harris in "Who's Who on the Pacific Coast."

March 1947, Berkeley, California:

Imogene Moffett was born February 24, 1898 on her grandfather Bathgate's farm of 855 acres near Richmond,Mo. Her mother was Mary Viola Bathgate (born January 7, 1875 on the Richmond farm) whose parents were Rachel Ann Sharpnack (born March 19, 1838 in Ritchie County, West Va.; married Oct. 26, 1865; died April 4, 1887) and Thomas Bathgate born in Westmoreland County, England, December 5, 1828, the son of Rachel Washington of Kendall, England and Thomas Bathgate of Edinburg Scotland (died 1850).

Imogene attended "Yankee Ridge" grade school north of Polo, Missouri, where her parents owned a 160 acre farm. She graduated from Polo High School in 1915 with highest honors and was awarded a scholarship to attend Marysville State Normal. Friends persuaded her to attend Warrensburg Teachers College. During the 1915-16 school year she taught a country school near Kingston, Missouri in Caldwell County.

On January 3, 1917, Imogene Moffett married George Elton Harris of Fort Collins Colorado. He graduated from the William Jewell College in Liberty, Missouri and graduated from the Andover Newton Theological Seminary in Newton, Mass. He holds the degrees of A.B., B.D., and Th.B. He was ordained June 30, 1912 as a Baptist minister in the Fort Collins Colorado Baptist Church. Imogene was baptized as a member of the Polo, Missouri Baptist Church about the age of twelve.

After marriage the first home was in Kennett, Missouri, where they served the Baptist Church from August, 1916 till March, 1918. They sold the lot and house which had been bought in October, 1917 from Dorsey Pool and moved to Sioux Falls, South Dakota in April, 1918. They lived in rented homes till the Baptist Church bought a parsonage. They served this field-The "City Temple" (or First Baptist Church) of six hundred members till October, 1921. At that time City Temple was the largest Baptist church in eith South or North Dakota. It was on Eight and Spring Streets.

WAR - WORLD WAR II RAGED AT THIS TIME 1942-45. IT WAS A VERY STRENEOUS, HISTORIC AND CONFUSING TIME.

Calvary Baptist Church of Kansas City, Missouri, on Ninth and Harrison Streets, called Reverend Harris to become their minister in October, 1921, with the agreement that Calvary would merge its membership with Westport Baptist Church on Thirty-Ninth and Baltimore, thus making a total of over 1000 members to support the work. The salary was $5200 and the church furnished their pastor a new Oldsmobile automobile. Rev. and Mrs. Harris had a nine room home built on 5704 Mac Gee Street in Kansas City, Missouri and moved into that home in May, 1923.

Because of a near collapse and nervous breakdown by Rev. Harris, the home was sold in September 1926 and the family left the Kansas City Church to move to a small work in Billings, Montana. A rest was needed and Rev. and Mrs. Harris left their five small children with their grandparents and made a tour of Europe (England, France, Beliguim, Holland, Switzerland, Italy, Greece) and the Holy Land of Palestine. They also went to Egypt to visit Ciaro.

Better health led Rev. Harris to decide to move to the Capital City of Helena in Montana to serve the First Baptist Church there (on Eight and Warren). Work began in November 1929. Only one year was spent with the church because the state Baptist Board asked Rev. Harris to become the state secretary of Baptist work and travel to all the churches. Funds were low and when a nation wide depression began the State Board voted to merge the secretarial work with Idaho. Mrs. Harris did not like to be left along to care for five children and advised a move to a church work. Accordihgly the Baptist church of Needham, Mass., on Great Plain Avenue and Warren Street, called Rev. Harris in September, 1931 at a salary of $3500, and a free parsonage. A field of over seven hundred members was served for eight years. Their residence was 85 Warren Street. In October 1939 another move took them to Peru, Indiana. This church was on NEAR Fourth ~~and~~ Broadway with a membership of 990. The parsonage was on 80 East 5th Street. World War II began in December, 1941 (for U.S.A.) and two sons were in military service. They lived in Peru over five years.

CORNER OF 4TH. ST. AND WABASH AVE.

The First Baptist Church of Berkeley, California on Dana and Haste extended a call to Rev. Harris on March 1, 1945. A salary of $4800 was paid and no parsonage. Membership was 965. War ~~was~~ raged till August 14, 1945. A ten room home was purchased on 2636 Warring Street in July 1945 at a cost of $10,500.

Imogene was a violinist, a good public speaker. She enjoyed painting in oils. In every church she was on the program committee for the Women's Society and often an officer in the associational work.

She had excellent health, right handed, grey eyes, 5'3" tall, dark brown hair, fair complexion, no defects. She was industrious and perserving, blood type B, R. H. positive and SHE collected family histories.

She made a collection of over two hundred toy automobile models all made before the year 1950.

Parents of Mary Viola:

Rachel Ann SHARPNACK born March 19, 1847 in Ritchie county, West Virginia, on her father's 120 acre farm near Petroleum. (She died on April 4-1887). She married on Oct., 26, 1865 a Mr. Thomas BATHGATE who was born on Dec, 5, 1828 and who emigrated to the United States of America in 1851 from Edinburg Scotland. He owned 1900 acres of land in Ray county, Missouri, in 1893. He died on Sept., 30, 1911 at Polo, Missouri

Rachel Ann's Parents:-

Lydia B. Harris, (died Jan., 13, 1886) daughter of Anthony Harris, married Hiram SHARPNACK in 1843. He was born April 11, 1818 in Wetzel county, West Virginia, and died Nov., 20, 1880 in Ritchie county, W. Virginia. Hiram owned a farm, country store, grist mill and carpenter shop. He was the son of William Sharpnack born in Rice's Landing, Penn., in 1785 and died 1840 in Wetzel county, West Va. William was the son of Henry Sharpnack born 1760 in Philadelphia, Penn., and who died 1848 in Rice's Landing, Penn. Henry served as a private in Captain Matthais Gensell's company for three years (1777-78-79) of Penn. Henry married 1783 Mary Rice of Rice's Landing, Penn. His father came from Eberfeld, Half Camp, Prussia in 1759.

We do not have any data about Anthony Harris.

Lydia B. Harris (died Jan. 13, 1886) daughter of Anthony Harris married IN 1843 Hiram Sharpnock (he was born April 11, 1818 in Wetzel Co., West Va. and died Nov. 20, 18~~43~~) 80. Hiram owned a farm, country store, grist mill and carpenter shop. He was the son of William Sharpnock born 1760 in Philadelphia and who died 1848 in Rice's Landing, Pa. and served as a private in Captain Matthias Gensell's Co., for three years (1777-79) of Pa. Henry married Mary Rice 1783, of Rice's Landing, Pa. His father came from Eberfeld, Half Camp. Prussia in 1759

SEE DATA

Mary Viola Bathgate, b. Jan, 7, 1875 on her father's 855 a. farm near Richmond, Mo. She married on Feb. 11, 1895, James Thomas Moffett, (b. Aug. 10, 1876 d. Feb. 19, 1935) at Chilicothe, Mo.

Imogene Moffett born Feb. 24, 1898

PARENTS OF THOMAS BATHGATE

Rachel Washington Born in Kendal, England died in ~~1996~~ and buried at East Salton, Scotland, married Thomas Bathgate of Edinburg, Scotland. He died 1850. 1886

The mother of James Thomas Moffett was Elizabeth Evaline Jennings, born in Shelby Co., Kentucky on May 6, 1834 and died in Browning, Missouri, June 29, 1918. Her father was Rev. Thomas Jennings, a Baptist minister who died 1844 in Shelby County, Kentucky. Her mother was Lucinda Tate Phillips born Aug. 18, 1803 in Kentucky.

The father of James Thomas Moffett was Thomas Jefferson Moffett born in Sangamon Co., Ill., four miles west of Springfield on Feb. 28, 1830. He married first Juliana Jones and second, Mrs. William Hooker (Miss Elizabeth E. Jennings) on Feb. 15, 1866. He was a farmer near Browning, Mo. He died 1898 and is buried at Purden, Mo. His father was William Moffett born about April 17, 1795 (died April 19, 1852), was a farmer near Purden, Missouri, who married Miss Edy Kendall (born Dec. 20, 1805 and died Dec. 4, 187~~5~~). 1876

George Elton Harris and wife had six children.

1. James Elton Harris born in Kennett, Mo., October 2,1917. He was educated in Kansas City, Billings, Helena Grade schools and Needham High school. Baptised. Graduated May 28, 1940 from William Jewell College, Liberty, Mo., A. B. degree. Employed by Eli Lilly Co,. Indianapolis 1940-1941. Drafted in U. S. A. Army Feb. 1941 sent overseas September 1942 and in February 1943 was a 1st Lieut. In the Medical Corps of the 192nd Station Hospital with a A. P. O. number 860. 6ft.2in. tall, weight 160 lbs. He married Miss Marion Fairbanks January 3,1942 in Needham, Mass., and a son David Elton Harris was born December 30,1942 in Needham, Mass. Type A. Blood. JAMES.

See No. 2 at bottom of page.

Thomas Jefferson Moffett born Feb. 28, 1830 in Sangamon County, Ill., four miles west of Springfield. Thomas was the son of William Moffett, Junior born Nov. 17, 1794.

George E. Harris Married Imogene Moffett:

1

Imogene Moffett

2

Her mother, Mary Bathgate, Her father, James Thomas Moffett

3

Thomas Jefferson Moffett was born Feb. 28 1830 in Sangamon Co., Ill. married Elizabeth E.Jennings

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William Moffett Junior born Nov., 17- 1794 in Bath, County, Kentucky and died April 19-1851 Purdin, Missouri. He married Lith Kendall who was born Dec., 30 - 1805 and died DEC., 6 - 1876 at Purdin, Missouri.

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William Moffett Senior born Feb.1,1763 ½ mile from Saintfield Ireland died April 22, 1826 Sharpsburg Kentucky married Feb.4,1787 Rebecca Robinson born Jan.22,1764 10 mi. from Harrisburg Penn.

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He was the son of James Moffett born 1720 North Ireland who married Jane Bigham

She was the daughter of Margaret Trimble and William Robinson

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He was the son of William Moffett born 1685 in Scotland

He was the son of James Robinson who married Margaret Moody

2. Mary Imogene Harris born August 24,1919 in Sioux Falls, S. Dak., educated in Kansas City, Mo. Billings and Helena grade schools. Was baptised May 24,1931 and died June 1931 and was buried ~~in Helena~~ in the Mt. Moriah Cemetary of Kansas City, Mo. DIED IN HELENA MONTANA.

3. Sybil Esther Harris born May 4,1921 in Sioux Falls, S. Dak, Type A sub 1.blood R. H. factor is positive. Baptised May 24,1931. Educated in Billings and Helena, Montana and Needham, Mass elementary grade schools,. Needham High school graduated June 1939--- Majored in chemistry., graduated from William Jewell College, Liberty, Mo., may1943 A. B. degree . 5 ft 7 in tall, 130 lbs., dark brown, hair blue eyes was left handed and played piano. She was married April 26,1944 to D Donald Foster (Ensign U. S. N. R.) Charles at Annapolis, Maryland in Naval Chapel St. Andrews.

4. Helen Louise Harris born May 2 1923 in Kansas City, Mo. and was educated in Helena, Montana and Needham, Mass grade schools, attended Needham High school and graduated from Peru, Indiana High school May 1942. Entered William Jewell College Sept 1942. 5ft. 5 in. tall, right handed, blue eyes, blond hair, 145 lbs., graduated May 1946. Type AB blood Played piano-- majored in Physics. Sorority Beta sigma omicron.

Children 5 + 6 are listed on page 44.

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He left the U. S. September 25,1942 for overseas duty and his wife Marion went to live with her parents in Needham, Mass. He went when the enemy submarines were the thickest and at their worst. Troop ships traveled in Convoys guarded by bombers airplains and fast battleships, darkness, secrecy, camaflauge, radio, blackouts helped transportation a bit. By way of England his Company went to Iceland. His address there was 92nd Station Hospital A. P. O. 610 c/o Postmaster, New York, N. Y. All mail were censored, air mail letters of one page were condensed by Photostatic process into films to conserve space on air planes used for vital supplies.

He was made 1st Lieutenant Jan.21,1943 in Iceland and was Medical Supply officer of 92nd Station Hospital there. He moved from Iceland after 18 months of Service and arrived in England June 1944, stationed about 12 miles South East of Fairford. He was in Headquarters of American School Center as Medical Supply Officer. He was in England on "D" day when huge forces of American Troops landed on European shores. He was in London England while buzz bombs were falling, Pilotless rockets, (V 1 & V 2 rockets "Robot --rocket--plane" ALL WERE IN FURIOUS ACTION) PILOTLESS
He was sent to France in Feb., 1945 --was in Europe when German forces collapsed and surrendered, a day named "V. E. Day" and"Victory in Europe Day". He went ~~to~~ INTO Germany 2 weeks before Germany surrended.

After repeated requests he was released to return to the U. S. A. to attend medical school. He flew to London and then flew to U. S. A., arriving in August 1945 via Queen Elizabeth as indicated by a telegram sent August 11th from Army Camp Kilmer, New Jersey. He served overseas almost 3 yrs. He saw his son David Elton Harris, (born in Needham Mass., on December 30th 1942) for the first time at the age of 2½ yrs. He drew his separation papers at Camp Sibert, Ala., in Sept. 1945.

The united family moved in October 1945 to Berkeley, California where james entered Medical school of the University of California, Oct 1945 and received his discharge papers from the Army in January 1946 to again become a civilian.

The family moved in Sept., 1946 to San Francisco to be near a medical school for second year students. A daughter, Marcia Jean Harris was born on November 30,1946 in San Francisco. A daughter Cynthia Ann was born March 28,1949 there.

Japan surrended V. J. Day Sept. 2, 1945, when the first atom bomb EVER used was dropped on the city of Hiroshima, August 6,1945 Day is named V. J. Day--Victory in Japan.

James Elton Harris --- Decorations and Citations
American Defense Metal--- European African Middle Estern Medal with 2 bronze stars.

Educational Benifits--- G. I. bill of rights under Public law #346--- maximun allowance 48 school months, therefore all medical school training, books, supplies and subsistance allowance.

IAN He graduated from University of California Medical school June 17th 1949, completed internship in San Francisco and had specialized training for 2 yrs in anaesthesiaology. Marion was over five ft., five inches tall weight 120 lbs, right handed, dark brown curley hair, blue brown eyes, excellent health, quick, energetic, efficient, very fine complexion. Her father's people kept a fine long detailed family history. The first Fairbanks house was still standing in 1950. It was the first frame house OLDEST in the United States built in 1636. It is now fully furnished with antique pieces, and is owned by the Fairbanks family and opened to visitors.

Sybil Esther Harris was born May 4,1921 in Sioux Falls S. D. Her parents were George Elton Harris(B April 1,1888) and Imogene Moffett Harris, born Feb., 24,1898. Educated in Billings and Helena Montana grade schools, also Needham Mass., grade and high school, graduating in June 1939. She became a member by baptism, of the Helena Baptist Church on May 24,1931. Graduated from William Jewell Baptist College in Liberty, Mo., in May 1943 with an A. B. degree--majored in biology and chemistry, completed a 4 yr premedical Course and was a member of the Beta Sigma Omicron,- Beta Lambda, Phi Gamma, Mu and Sigma Tau Delta, Sorority and honorary Societies. Was employed almost one year 1943-44 as a chemist by the General Tire and Rubber Company in Wabash , Indiana. SEE PAGE 45

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5. John David Harris born December 9, 1925 in Kansas City, Mo., educated in in Needham, Mass., grade school and Peru, Ind., High school (a junior 1942-1943.) 6 ft. tall, 140 lbs. In February 1943, age 17 yrs., Entered Pardue University, Lafayette, Indiana, in June 1943. Type A blood Navy test.

6. Rachel Georgia Harris, born November 27,1934 in Boston, Mass., early home in Needham, Mass. Entered Kindergarten September 1939 in Needham, but moved to Peru, Indiana, October 1939 . In third year grade 1942-1943 Type B. Blood. Moved to Berkley in March 1935. In 8th grade years 1947-1948. Right handed, blue eyes, and blond hair. played piano. In 1951 was 5 ft. 3½ inches tall. Moved with parents to West Plains Missouri in Sept. 1951 --graduated from High school May 1952. BAPTIZED JULY 1943 - PERU, INDIANA

See Bureau of Vital Statistics at Jefferson City, Mo.

James Elton Harris was born October 2,1917 in Kennett, Mo., Dunklin County. He was the son of the Rev., Mr George Elton Harris and Imogene Moffett Harris. Early school years were spent in Kansas City, Mo., Billings, Montana, Estes Park, Colorado, Helena, Mont and Needham, Mass. All the places where his father was pastor of Baptist Churches. James Elton became a member of the Billings, Mont., Baptis Church Easter Sunday April 17th, 1927. He graduated from the Needham, Mass highschool in June 1935 and later took one year 1935-36 post graduate work in the same school. College work was done in William Jewell College of Liberty, Mo., He earned much of his fund for his education and graduated with an A. B. degree, majoring in chemistry.

The College fraternities of Acon Phi Epsilon, Sigma Tau Delta and National honorary chemistry sosiety of Theta Chi Delta listed him as a member. He was accepted in the early spring of 1940 for admission to the medical school of Northwestern University, Chicago, Illinois.

In June 1940 James Elton became employed by the Eli Lilly Pharmaceutical Company of Infianapolis, Indiana. He was an assistant to Dr. J. H. Sandground in research on tropical diseases until accepted for Military training by board No. 12 of Marion County, Indiana. He reported to the induction Center at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana on January 30,1941. His Army serial No. was 35152338-- hight 6 ft. 2 inches--weight 160 lbs. dark brown hair, grey eyes, right handed, Mastoid scar behind right ear, blood type A and R. H. is positive Far sighted and sings bass. He was sent to Fort Knox, Kentucky in February 1941., for 7 ~~hours~~ WEEKS basic training and then was assigned to the Medical Detachment. He was sent to technician's school, Fitzsimmons Hospital, Denver, Colo. summer 1941 and graduated there the last of August, as a Lab., techinician.

He had almost completed his term of Military training of 12 months, when the Japanese attacked the United States forces at Pearl Harbor on Dec., 7,1941. When he realized that the U. S. was drawn into the World War 11, he immediately applied for admission to an Officer's training school. He was sent to Carlisle Penn., on Jan 1,1942 to attend school and graduated in March 1942 as a 2nd Lieutenant in the U. S. A. Medical Corps (0-454115)

He went to Needham, Mass., on January 3rd 1942 and was married on that date to Miss. Marion Taylor Fairbanks, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Melvin Roscoe Fairbanks of 355 Chestnut St. Needham. They were married in the First Baptist Church Great Plain & Warren St., at 8 P. M. by the Rev., L. H. Lomas. Marian was a graduate of Needham High school in 1936 and was employed for five years with the H. E. Harris Company of Boston which dealt in "Postage stamps Collections" Marion (born May 14,1918 at Needham, Mass.,) Mother's name was Jean Taylor Born June, 1885 in Johnstone Scotland, the daughter of Jesse Ann Macauley born in Islay, Scotland and John Taylor born in Johnstone, Scotland. John Taylor was a machinist who traveled for a Company in Scotland. Melvin Roscoe Fairbanks was born in Natick, Mass. March 5,1888 a son of Flora Woodbury of Bristol, Maine and James Fairbanks of Natick, Mass. Melvin was employed most of his life at Gernoville Fire Alarm Company.

MARIAN IN JUNE 1 OVER WORLD MACAULEY

GAME WELL

James was ordered to Camp Claiborne in Louisiana, April 10,1942 as Assistant Registrar & Assistant Medical Supply Officer of the Station Hospital till July. Then he was moved to Camp Wheeler, Georgia where 192nd Station Hospital was activated and James became Supply & Transporation Officer. Then he went to Fort Dix, New Jersey for Staging for shipment overseas.

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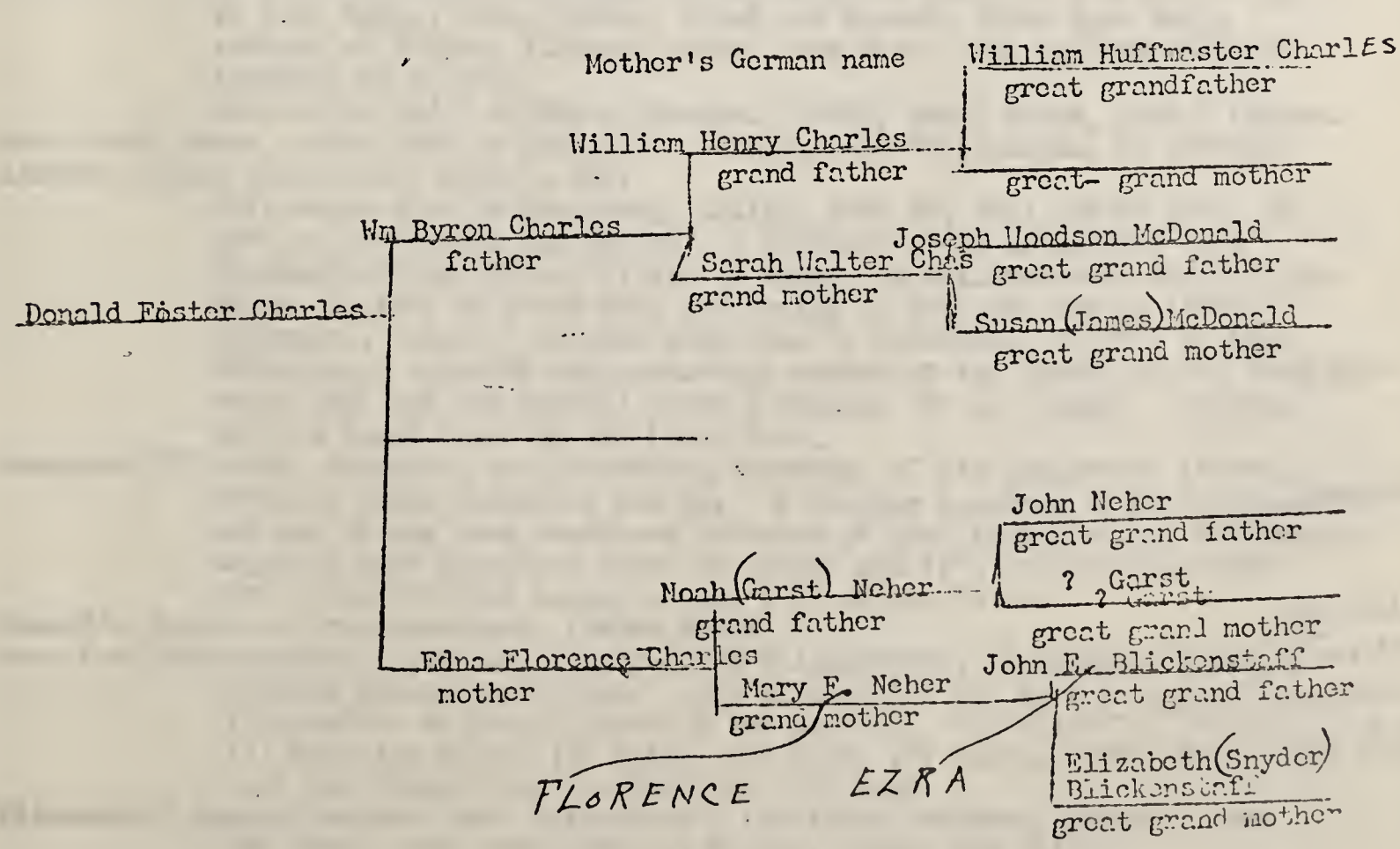
Sybil Esther Harris was married April 26,1944 to Donald Foster Charles, Ensign U. S. N. R. at Annapolis, Maryland, the wedding was in St. Andrew's chapel of the U. S. Navel Academy in Annapolis. Donald Foster Charles was born October 16, 1922 in Iloilo, Philippines Islands. His parents were William Byron Charles and Edna Florence Neher Charles who served 10 yrs as Baptist Missionaries in the Philippines. His elementary school work was done in New York City and he attended the Baptist College of William Jewell in Liberty, Mo., for 3 yrs where he majored in Chemistry and mathematics. He was president elect of the Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity and a member of Honorary Chemistry, fraternity Theta Chi Delta while in William Jewell. He had two sisters, Alberta and Marion. His war record reads as follows:

Medals and Awards · Donald F. Charles.
American Area --World War 11 Victory

Blood type 2, Dark brown hair , dark complexion, weight 5ft., 7 inches, weight 150 lb., right handed, no physical defects . Lt (Jg)s (A) U. S. N. R., 1209 S. Norton Ave., Las Angeles 6, Los Angeles County, Calif., He entered active service 7/1/43 , paid for 3 yrs., 9 months and 15 da. Place entry --V-12 Unit Park College, Parkville, Mo. Commissioned 10-30-42 4-3-44--- rating held A/S Service Schools Completed--- V-12 Park Coll-- Parkville, Mo --- Mid'n School-- 16 WKS. Navy Academy-- Annapolis, Md.--15 weeks---- Aerological Engr M. I. T. Mass Inst., of Technology, Cambridge Mass 32 weeks--Navy Oriental Language (Japan) 36 weeks. School at Still water, Okla., After marriage, the family lived near various schools as named in the above war record. In July 1946 they moved to Berkeley, Calif. where Mr. Charles completed his College. Education in the University of Calif., in Berkeley on June 1947 with an A. B. Degree. July 1947 Donald became employed as a chemist by the California & Hawaiian Sugar Refining Corporation of San Francisco, Calif., and the family moved to Rodeo, Calif., near the sugar refining Station. To this family , a daughter Donna Jean, was born May 1,1945 and also a daughter Janet May was born Ocyober 31,1947 in Berkeley, Calif.

They bought a home 868 Audry (AUDREY) Court-- Concord, Calif., Sybil, a trained pianist, artistic as an oil painter-- 5ft., 7 in., tall , 130 lbd, dark hair, blue eyes, left handed, fair complexion Blood type A sub 1 and R. H. factor is positive.

Donald has two sisters younger than he, Alberta and Marion. About 1945 his parents moved to Los Angeles, Calif., His father was reared in Missouri and graduated from William Jewell College, Liberty, Missouri. His mother taught school, kindergarten and later specialized in training the pre-school child.



Donalds Paternal Grandparents (Charles side)
William Huffmaster Charles-- born in England -- settled at Alton, Illinois- a brewer
William Henry Charles --born 1841 Upper Alton, Illinois.
He served with Federal Army,144th Illinois Infantry, Jefferson Barracks, St. Louis, 11 months, 1864-1865-- came to Missouri 1869 built first house in what is now Laddonia. He married March 13,1871. He attended Shurtoliff College (Academy) following the civil War. He died August 29,1904. He spent entire married life in Audrain County, Mo. He went through Missouri after Prices Raid, building block houses. PRICE HAD DESTROYED THE HOUSES
Donalds Material Grandparents(Charles Side)
Joseph Woodson McDonald died during Civil War. Susan James McDonald (Kentucky) Parents age) died about 1886- Thompson Station, Western Audrain County, Mo. was their home-- near Mexico, Mo. AUDRAIN
Sarah Walter Charles --born 1852 -died July 4,1913. She was born at Thompson Station Missouri and lived all her life in ~~Adrain~~ County. AUDRAIN
William Byron Charles: Born Tharber, Mo., Sept 16,1883, Present add., 1209 So., RBER Norton Ave., Los Angeles, California. (1951)
Brothers:
1. Allonzo "Lon" Charles, farmer, lives near Marshall Mo., wife Stella and one son Billy.
2. Ira--Brick worker for A. P. Green -Birch Co,. Mexico, Mo., wife Bessie and son Irvin also works in Brick, Co. daughter Mildred.
3. Sister-- Bessie Schroll Believe she lives in State of Washington.

William Byron Charles writes " an uncle of my mother was a drummer boy in Washington Army of the Americam Revolution: He wrote a song about "Credjo" the negro body guard of George Washington and composed other songs as well. Mother also spoke of a distant relationship of General George B. McClellan of Civil War history to the family.

An Uncle of my mother, Reuben Pulis, upon return of men following the Civil War accused one John woods of stealing a fine mare from him. Reubin promptly accused and he denied but was told he knew him by his walk and would kill him by sundown unless $300.00, the price of the mare was paid. Uncle Reubin received the payment. Mother heard the firing at Centralia when it was attached by bushwackers in Civil war Period. She held her grandfather , a small man, somewhat enfeebled then, to prevent him asking a guard at their cross corner why he was there: He was fearless and would probably have been shot.

Donald's Paternal Grandparents (Neher Side) (1)
John Neher was married four times wives all died. He was the oldest of four boys., John, Daniel, Jacob and Samuel. These four had a reunion at Virden, Illinois before John died. They had not all been together in 50 yrs.
John Neher had 6 children, Michael, David, Noah, Suzan, Elma & Lizzie.
Noah Garst Neher --born 1849 in Ohio Clark County, near Belfountain. He attended Laribee County school near Girard, Ill.
Obituary-- died in Lordsburg, Calif., June 22, 1911 age 62 yrs. In 1864 he moved with his parents to Illinois where he married Mary Blinkenstaff in 1870 at 21 yrs of age. 12 children were born to this Union. In 1880 he moved with his family to Nebraska and in 1899 to McPherson, Kansas. In 1904 they came to Lordsburg, Calif., Brother Neher was a faithful and consistant member of the Church of the Brethren since 1871 and for several years a deacon. He was always willing to do a large share of the Lords Work.
Newspaper Clipping regarding triple wedding ceremony of his daughters, Lizzie, suzie, & Clara Speaks of him as: " A wealthy ranchman of Lordsburg LORDSBURG and one of the most prominent Dunkards of that Vicinity..... The romance began at Fort McPherson where the Neher family lived for years and were among the best known in that part of the State.
Donald's Materinal Grandparents---- (Neher Side)
John Ezra Blickenstaff-- had one brother--Jake Blickenstaff, 1 sister-- Susan SUSAN Married Edward Stottlemyer had 11 children (1) Mary Florence FLORENCE (The mother of Edna Florence Neher Charles), (2) [illegible] MAGGIE [illegible] Ella, ELLA (4) Bachelor, Elias, (5) Upton, (6) Jake, (7) Charles (8&9) Oscar OSCAR and Asa twins, (10) Gus, Bachlor. (11) John.
Elizabeth (Snyder- maiden name) Blickenstaff had three brothers, Richard, John and Joshia and three sisters, Maggie, Hannah and Ella.

Mary Florence

Mary Florence (Blickenstaff) Neher : born in Fredrichsburg, Maryland, Jan 22, 1852--died March 22, 1927 at 75 yrs. She was tho oldest of 11 children. Her girl hood was spent in Miami Co,, Ohio and in Macoupin Co,. Ill., In 1870 she married Noah Garst Neher and the year following both united with the church. A few years later they moved to Rockford, Nebraska, becoming with other pioneer of the South Beatrice Church and supporting it loyally for the next quarter century. The family moved in 1899 to Rocky Colorado → Ford, ~~Kans~~., where they assisted again in establishing a church. In 1904 feeling the need of educational advantages for the children , they moved to McPherson, Kans. Eight children attended the College from 1889 to 1912.

Twelve Children

1. Ira--died of grip affecting the heart--had hoemophelia
2. Elma --died at 5 yrs --diptheria
3. Anna --died at 4 days old
4. Laura died at age of 20 yrs with tuberculosis of the bone
5. Ada died at age of 18 yrs with tuberculosis of the bone
6. lizzie
7. Suzan
8. clara
9. Lottie
10. Alvah died at ~~2~~ 12 yrs --Hoemophelia, hit in temple with baseball
11. Edna (mother of Donald) (Mrs. Wm. Byron Charles) (A.B. degree McPherson College) (M.A. " Columbia Univ. N.Y.)
12. Alberta

Donald Foster Charles Born Oct., 16,1922 at 5 P. M. weight 7½ lbs ~~at~~ the Union Mission Hospital Iloilo on the island of Panamá, Philippines, born to Rev., and Mrs. Wm Byron Charles , Bacolad, P. I who were then engaged in PANAY Missionary work in the Philippines under the ~~Ann~~ AMERICAN Missionary Society.

The Family history , collected for Neher group is Rev., Earnest Hoff, 1073 W. Chicago St. Elgin, Illinois. He writes and illustrates books for the Church of the Brethern. He married Lottie Neher.

Helen Louise Harris was born May 2,1923 in Kansas City, Missouri. Her parents were George Elton Harris born april 1,1888 and Imogene Moffett Harris born Feb. 24,1898. She was educated in the Helena, Montana grade schools, Needham, Mass grade and high schools. She graduated in May 1942 from the Peru, Ind., highschool. She became a member by baptism of the Needham Baptist Church 1933 Easter Graduated in May 1946 from William Jewell College in Liberty, Mo. Majored in Physics given A. B. degree, belong to Beta Sigma Omicorn Historian '46; Mu Sigma Alpha, Pres '46 Y. W. A _____ Chair'45 ; W. A. A. North-SIGMA Eastern State Club: Student Ass't; Glee Club: Chapel Choir. In June 1945 SIGMA she traveled to Berkeley, Calif., to visit her parents. While there she met Francis Marion Miller, who was in the Navy and stationed at Treasure Island and after his discharge they were married Sept. 6, 1946 in St. Louis, Mo., at the Delmar Baptist Church. Francis Born Oct. 31,1915 at DuQuoin, Ill., was the son of Isaac Newton Miller and Katherine Schmitter. Issac Newton Miller Sr. Was a real-estate Agent in St. Louis, Mo. He was the son of Francis Marion Miller and Emma Lemen. Katherine , wife of Issac Miller Sr., was the Daughter of Jacob Schmitter and Johanna Bleitner from Switzerland. FRANCIS The miller home was in St. Louis 8242 Buchanan St. and due to ~~war~~ time, WAR WIFE housing shortage ~~he~~ lived for awhile with his parents. Francis graduated HELEN from Washington University with class of 1937 and worked as an employee of the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis. He was the youngest child of 4, KATHRYN Issac Newton Jr. . Eileen and Katherine. On Sept. 19,1947 a daughter was born at the St. Luke Hospital named Carol Louise Miller. A son was born July 4, 1950 named Stephen Harris Miller. Helen has type AB Blood, right handed, blue eyes, blond hair 5ft. 5 3/4 inches tall 130 lb. No physical defects, trained pianist. Francis, no physical defects, brown hair, brown eyes, right handed, slight build, cheerful, good tenor voice-sanh in church choir, member of Delmar Baptist church, St. Louis, Mo. Eileen Miller married C rl A. Merritt son of Jesse C. Merritt. CARL

Letter from Francis M. Miller.

I entered the Navy in July of 1942 as Slc (seaman first class) and reported to the Naval Reserve Air Training Base at Lambert Field, St. Louis, Mo. BURSING There I worked in a distributing office until May 1944. At that time I 1944 had gone as far as I could in the enlistment ranks with out sea duty which was SK2c (Storekeeper Second Class) and which rate I held until discharged. LAMBERT While at Lambeth Field I applied for a Commission, having all the necessary requirements and it was approved locally, but rejected in Washington because being underweight, I could not meet the medical requirments and it was too great to be waived.

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In May 1944 I aws transferred to the Naval Air Station at Alameda, Calif., where I received the same type of training until I was discharged in April 1946.

As to my height, It is 5ft. 6 in tall and blood type in the Navy was " O" . Newton , my brother went into the service in July 1942 as S1c and received his commission as Ensign about March 1943, then went to Communications school at Harvard. After 4 months he went to sea aboard a light cruiser and remained on similar ships until inactive duty in January 1946. Heleft active service as a full Lieutanant. He was attached to an admiral staff while at sea and took part in most naval battles at that time three ships having been knocked out of commission on which he was aboard at different times.

John david Harris born December 9,1925, in Kansas City, Mo., educated in Needham, Mass. grade school and Peru, Indiana high school (a junior 1942-43), Age 17 yrs. 6 ft. tall and weighed 140 lds. Entered Purdue University, Lafayette, India, in June 1943

Volunteered for Navy Military training on July 14,1944 in Indianapolis, Indiana. He was sent to Sampson, New yonk Naval training Center for basic training -S2/c

Selected to go to Purdue University, Lafayette Indiana to the Electrician Mates Training school & graduated Feb.19,1945 rank from F2/c to F. 1/c (EM) sent to Camp Crowder, Missouri in March 1945 for study in Cantral Signal Corps, school for teletype Machanics. He left tho Camp on Sept 14,1945 for school at Mare Island Calif., --Cryptographic Repair School -- still the rank of F 1/c (EM) when he graduated

Sent to Camp Shoemaker Nov., 3,1945 to Fly to Guam but recalled to mare Island to teach in school he had attended. He replaced a full lieutenant and was given the rank of EM 3/c. He went to Camp Shoemaker, Calif., to be discharged on July 3,1946. He entered the University of Calif., in Berkeley in the fall of1946 as an Electrical Engineering undergraduate, attended spring term 1947 R. O. T. C. Summer Camp 1947 and fall 1947 but did not register spring of '48. He got work in Oakland Army base Civil Service. Member of the Baptist Church baptised by his father in Needham, Mass. Blue eyes, brown hair right handed, type A blood; height 6ft weight 165 lb. Navy service Number 956-15-51, Musical & Artistic Sagacious and well liked.

Transferred from the University of Calif., in Berkeley & graduated from San Francisco State Teachers College in June 1951. First teaching position Sept., 1951 at Rodeo, Calif. Bought a new home in August 1951 on 2761 Eastgate Ave. in Concord, Calif.

John David Harris & Mary Ellen Richard were married om June 5,1948 at 8 P. M. in the First Baptist Church of Berkeley, Calif. They rented an apartment in the home of his parents the first 3 yrs of their marriage.

Mary Ellen Richards was born May 18,1927 the daughter ofEdmund Herman Richards and Edna Mary Elizabeth Chenot. Her father was born in Indiana but spent his childhood in Illinois. His parents were Oscar William Richard and Ellen Lillpop(She was 78 yrs of age, born about 1873) who had 6 or more children --- twin boys who died at birth, a girl Bessie who married a weber and lived in Illinois. A son Edmund Herman; a son Oscar Blanche who married Alice Miller. In 1951 Mrs Ellen Richards sold her farm of 140 acres near Deshler, Ohio and lived with her son Edmund in Calif. Mary Ellen's father worked for the United States Government in the Post Office delivery department. Her mother was born in Louisville, Ohio, spent her girlhood in Tiffin, Ohio. with two brothers and two sisters (2 brothers and 1 sister had red hair). Mary Ellen's girlhood was spent in Berkeley, Calif. She attended the Presbyterian Church but in 1947 was baptized to become a member of the First Baptist Church of Berkeley. She was a graduate of the Berkeley High School, studied one year at San Francisco Junior College and one half a year, fall of 1947. At the Oakland Army Base, employed there one year. She had two brothers oldest one,Richard Hermon, a school teacher and Paul, who studied law. Mary Ellen was five feet and seven inches tall, had brown hair, brown eyes, was right handed, no physical defects, blood type A and R. H. positive. She loved to be a hostess. Mary Ellen and John David were the parents of:
Richard Stephen, born in Oakland, Calif. on April 5, 1949
Glenn Allen, born in Oakland, Calif. on July 20, 1950
Gary Lee, born in Oakland, Calif. on Nov. 19, 1951

The Chenot Family-- Descendants of George Frederick Chenot - Odell, Ill. Aug. 1, 1929
My father and his family came to this country in an old sailing vessel that had been used to carry grain and merchandise. The ship they wanted to sail on being over-crowded, there was no room for them. They were 32 days crossing.

When they sailed into New York Harbor they passed the ship they would have liked to come on. It was quarantined, there being sickness aboard. There was no sickness on ship we were on so we disembarked immediately. While we were yet in New York a storm came on and wrecked this quarantined ship. All on board being lost. My father and mother had acquaintances on this wrecked ship. We left New York on a freight train and traveled in a box car with some people bound for Maxino. The trip was very slow . The train stopping frequently for wood to fire the locomotive. When we arrived at Maxino we were met by the Krabills. We stayed at their house a few days, then my father bought the farm that belongs to Charles Chenot. Father and the boys often helped the neighbors for fifty cents a day. I will be eighty-seven years old the 28 of October. I send my love and best wishes to all the relatives.

Adele Des Voignes
Born Oct. 28, 1842

History of the family of George Frederic and Mary Catherine Chenot.
George F. Chenot, Sr. was born in Etupes, France, in March 1818, and died at the home of his daughter January 24, 1892. His wife, whose name was Mary Catherine Guilemot was born in Allenjoy, France, In 1815, and died in their little home north of Louisville on November 14, 1879. Ther were married in 1837. To them were born two sons and three daughters: George A., Peter E., Adele, Emile and Mary Catherine.

Grandfather Chenot was a man of influence in the town in which he lived. His business was mostly hauling and many a long haul over the stone piked roads of France were made--always with one-horse wagons, one following the other. To go up a big hill they doubled up and made it a two-horse team. Sometimes a brother of grandfather made the trip, taking one or the other of the boys to drive one rig. On one of those trips the boy Emile, got chilled and contracted a fever which left him in poor health. Many trips were made to a doctor to restore his health but in vain, and they were told that a trip to America would probably restore him. So the journey was begun in March, 1854. Many were the preperations made for this journey, which took about one month of variable winds and storms and calms before they reached their haven, New York. They remained in New York for some time then set out for the West, as Ohio, Indiana and Illinois were then known.
In France the Chenot family were very good friends of the family of Mr. Krabill whose family emigrated to America a few years before grandfather's. Mr. Krabill met the family at Maxino, hauled them to his home where they stayed for some time and helped them choose a home. They finally bought two small farms adjoining and moved the house from the east farm to make up their home near where we meet today. Our ancestors were people of strict integrity and honesty. They were known far and wide and always trusted. In most of their dealings their word was all that was required. No note was necessary. If a neighbor needed help it was cheerfully given. In France, especially, the poorer people of the town looked upon them as their benefactors, came to them with their troubles or for assistance. Never need we be ashamed of the blood which courses in our veins, rather should we emulate them in their good common sense and clear clean thinking.
In the country from which they came there was about one doctor for every five or six counties. They learned how to combat diseases and even perform minor operations and were able to give medical advice to many of their neighbors.

And now we have met partly to revere their memory as well as to renew our association and recall olden days. As Kipling wrote to the English nation, "Great God of Hosts, be with us yet. Lest we forget."

Samuel D. Chenot

The Chenot Family--- Very little is known here of its origin. It is thought by some that it is of Roman origin because traces of them have been found along the line of Caesar's Invasion from his camp at Besancon to England. It is known that members of this family were in England many years ago, as the Encyclopedia makes mention of them as discoverers of a method of making iron. From about the time of the reformation they have been most numerous in eastern France and along the Rhine. There still stands a Castle Chenot, no doubt, being the home of some of them. It is known that our own ancestors returned from Switzerland in the eighteenth century, about 1712, having been driven there from France by the Dragonades. From time to time some of these families emigrated to America and we find them in many parts of the country, mostly in Illinois and Michigan, Minnesota, Louisianna and Florida. Nearly every large city has the name in the directory.

Our own ancestors, George Frederic Chenot and Susanne Catherine Guillenot. Grandfather was born at Etupes, France, March 18, 1815. Grandmother was born at Allenjoie, 1815. They were married June 18, 1837. Their children were: George Adolph, 1837; Peter Emile, 1839; Catherine Amelia, 1840, never married- died 1884; Adelle, 1842; Marie Catherine, 1844.

In 1854 they decided to emigrate to America, and after correspondence with acquaintances, who had come to this country, set out and after a long voyage they arrived in New York in March, and soon after arrived at the home of their friends in Stark County and settled on a farm north of Louisville. In due time the sons and daughters married, except Catherine Amelia, who was a invalid and died in 1884. Grandmother died in 1879 and grandfatherin 1894.
From this time on the history is will known to the older members of the family now living.

Charles F. Chenot
Louisville, Ohio

Edna Mary Elizabeth Chenot born about 1898 was daughter of George F. Chenot (he the son of -------- Chenot) who married Miss------- Culler. Edna Chenot's mother's father changed his name, Culler not their original name. As a youth he ran away from an unbearable apprenticeship, so changed his name to avoid detection.

Marguerite Irene Harris----- WRITTEN BY HER IN MAY 1945
Marguerite Irene Harris was born January 17, 1890 at the home of her grandfather, Rev. E. N. Elton on Riverside Drive at Fort Collins, Colo. She had dark brown hair and blue eyes and was right handed. Never robust in health, she had ambition and determination and finished her high school education in spite of her physician's advice to give it up. She graduated with honors from the Fort Collins High School in 1911 and taught school one term but was forced to discontinue teaching on account of poor health.

She was marreid in Fort Collins, Colo., on June 12, 1914 to Ishmael H. Farmer, the son of a well-to-do farmer of Wellington, Colo. In 1922 the family moved to California hoping to benifit Marguerite's health, as she had developed heart trouble. She was the mother of three children. A son, Wilfred Ishmael Farmer was born at Wellington, Colo.,Nov. 10, 1915. He was educated in the schools of Calif., having graduated from the Redondo Beach High School, Chaffee Junior College, at Ontario, Calif. and U. C. L. A. at Westwood with high scholastic honors. In 1941 Nov. 4, he entered service and was trained at Scott Feild, about 8 miles from St. Louis, Missouri. On November 10, 1942, he was marreid to Lillian Piper of Clinton, Ky. A daughter, Wilma Janet Farmer was born Sept. 3, 1917 at Fort Collins, Colo. She was graduated from the Hermosa Beach grammer school and after one year at high school, remained at home to take charge of the home as her mother's health had failed. She was marreid to Hilton Stewart Anderson on April 25, 1937. Her husband worked with the movies as a "light man." Donna Jeanette was born Aug. 17,1938; Joyce Diane was born Sept. 20, 1940.
Robert Bruce Farmer was born Dec. 29, 1918 at Fort Collins, Colo. He attended school at Hermosa Beach and High School at Redondo Beach and was graduated from the Chaffee High School at Ontario, Calif. He was then employed by the National Supply Co. at Avenal, Calif. until he enlisted in the U. S. Coast Guard in March, 1941. He received his training at Almeda, Calif. and at Fort Trumbull, New London Connecticut. He was radio-man on the Coast Guard Cutter Travis until March, 1944 when he was transferred to the Redbud. ALAMEDA

Ishmael Hill Farmer----
Ishmael Hill Farmer was born near Asheville, North Carolina, in the town of Democrat, on Aug. 6, 1891. He was the third child of William Oliver Farmer and Janes JANE Forrester Farmer(it is said that her father came direct from Scotland.)
Girl------born 1887-died 1890; Elsie-----" 1889- married Charles Jones at Wellington; Ishmael Hill, born 1891-married Marguerite Harris; Talmage DeWitt, born 1893-married Carrie Jones, cousin to Charles Jones; Lodusky--born 1895-married Issac Rice. Geter Pritchard--born, 1898-married Lilliam Harris; Max----------born 1901-married ----------;Elston------- born 1903 - married----------.
One of Ishmael's cousins, a Louise Parsons, was born on a farm near Fort Collins, Colo. Ishmael was a farmer by trade and an excellent one. Later he took apprenticeship with a carpenter and learned that trade. He is a foreman stagerigger with the California Shipbuilding Corp. at Terminal Island, Calif. All of the family are members of the Community Baptist Church at Hermosa Beach, California where Marguerite was Bible Class teacher and then Primary Superintendent over a period of 15 years when her health would permit.

Since that time she has been active in Child Evangelism and has held office in both the Women's Missionary Society and the Manhatten Beach Mission Circle. She became interested in writing short stories. In 1945 she wrote a large book in fiction form on "The Life of the Apostle Paul." The family purchased a home in Manhatten, California, on May 1935, on 1619 Walnut Ave.

Edna Lillian Harris---She read and checked these notes in Feb. 1948.
Edna Lillian Harris was born on her father's 160 acre homestead near Wellington, Colorado, on February 3, 1893. Her father was Isaac Blair Harris who married Mary Lillian Elton. Edna attended rural school near Wellington and Fort Collins, Colo. She graduated in 1914 from the Colorado School of Agriculture in Fort Collins, Colo. She was employed as switch board operator by Bell Telephone Co., before her marriage. Became a christian in 1906 and was baptized. Moved with her mother for one and one half years by Bell and Home Telephone Company. On December 19, 1915 she married Mr. Howard Leslie Bills of Eaton, Colorado, married at Liberty, Mo. Edna and Howard had two sons. Walter Benton Bills; born on February 16, 1917 at Eaton, Colorado. Clarence Harold Bills, born on May 5, 1918 and died on November 27, 1918 with pnuemonia. Edna joined the D. U. V. in 1928 and also joined the O. E. S. (Order of Eastern Star) in 1928. In 1929 and 1930 she took a business course at school in Fort Collins, Colorado. Most of her life she taught a class in Baptist Sunday School and often sang in the choir, also a neat home maker and very industrious. She worked with the Women's Missionary Organization. Normal physically, and mentally, had brown hair, blue eyes, right handed, height 5 ft. and 4 inches, slight of build. Arthritis developed after the age of fifty.

1914 AND WAS EMPLOYED.

Son--Walter Benton Bills, born Feb. 16, 1917--Eaton, Colorado. He attended Eaton, Colorado high school, graduated June 1936. Also learned the printing trade while in high school. He followed a correspondence course with the National Radio Institute, Washington, D. C. He had a course with the National School of Electronics in Minneapolis, Minn. Was married to Virginia Lee in Kimball, Nebraska on June 26, 1939. Virginia was born on August 6, 1921--she became a member of the Greeley, Colorado Baptist Church in 1939. The young couple moved to Washington D. C. and lived on 5426 MacArthur Blvd. in 1941-42. Walter entered the army on November 26, 1943 and was called to war in December 1943. Discharged from the army in February 1946. A son Walter Lee Bills was born Aug. 27, 1943 in Washington D. C. A daughter was born in 1944. A son was born Oct. 1948 in Arlington, Vir. This family moved to Arlington, Virginia and bought a home there on 5328 North 5th Street. Were living there in 1948, where Walter was employed with Army Ordinance Civil Service, Radar research for protection of harbors. Walter became a graduate radio engineer in 1940. Walter became a Christian as a youth, being baptised into the membership of the Hermosa Beach Community Church (Baptist) in July 1927. He was normal physically, brown hair, large blue eyes, broad build, genial nature.

Howard Leslie Bills----- Howard Leslie Bills was born March 17, 1894 near Eaton, Colorado. He was the son of Isaac Benton Bills, a prosperous farmer who came to Colorado from West Virginia, town of St. Mary's. His father whs born on Sept. 2, 1860 and was married at Greeley, Colorado on April 26, 1893. to Nora M. White (born Oct. 16, 1866, of St. Mary's, West Virginia.

Howard had two brothers, Ellis Stanley Bills and Carl Benton Bills. He was educated in the Eaton, Colorado High School and attended the Colorado School of Agriculture in Fort Collins, Colorado. After marriage to Miss Edna Harris he lived on a farm near Eaton, Colorado, consisting of 160 acres. His social life centered in the A. F. and A. M. (Ancient Free and Accepted Masons) number 109 of Eaton following the footsteps of his father who was a Mason. He did not like churches or their ministers. Howard's father, Isaac, owned a large ~~house~~ HOME in the town of Eaton and two farms near Eaton. The two sons inherited that property when Isaac died on Jan. 18, 1948. Howard was proud of his skill as a farmer- he used the best of machinery. His brother, Carl, was born Sept. 17, 1908. Carl studied to be a veterinary doctor. He graduated from the Colorado Agriculture College in 1931. Carl married Elizabeth Tower Bates from New York City on Sept. 5, 1935. In 1947-48 they lived on 37-26th street in Merced, California and had one daughter, Elizabeth Ann Bills, born May 26, 1940.
Howard's brother, Ellis Stanley Bills was born October 7, 1898. He studied to become a doctor but was killed in an automobile accident, a crash, on Jan. 29, 1932.

Lettie Estelle Harris was born Feb. 26, 1895 on her father's ~~120~~ 140 acre farm three miles west of Fort Collins, Colorado. She was the daughter of Isaac Blair Harris- AND Mary Lillian Elt~~erb~~on. ELTON.

She was educated in the rural school, District #10, near their home. Then attended the Fort Collins High School one year. After that she transferred to the Colo. State School of Agriculture and graduated in the spring of 1914. She became a member of the Fort Collins Baptist Church at the age of eleven. After graduating from Colorado State School of Agriculture, Estelle moved to Liberty, Missouri where the rest of the family had moved because the brother Elton and Carrol were attending William Jewell College in Liberty. She began working as a telephone operator for the Bell Telephone Co., and bought stock in that company. She helped support her mother, younger sisters and brothers.
In 1917 Estelle and mother took Carrol to a lower climate, Gulfport, Mississippi for his heart ailment. While in Mississippi, she worked for the telephone Co. there. She was made Chief Operator and had charge of the telephone offices at Wiggins, McHenry, and Pass Christian Mississippi. Also the exchange at the naval station near Gulfport. This office she held during world war I till the death of her brother Carrol on January, 14, 1920. The telephone company transferred her to Sioux Fall, South Dakota and there she was appointed Toll Instructress. She lived with her brother Elton and family.

In June of 1920, she returned to Colorado because of her mother's poor health. In August, 1920, she went as Manager of the telephone office at Johnstown, Colorado. This position she held until she was married on June 11, 1922 to Thomas Burl Brown of Johnstown, Colorado--the wedding ceremony was solemonized at the Harris farm home west of Fort Collins, Colorado, by Rev. Atkinson of Loveland Colorado.
After marriage she lived in Johnstown, Colorado where Mr. Brown owned and operated a trucking and transfer business. Mr. Brown also owned a 200 acre dry land farm 12 miles east of Nunn, Colo. and a five room house and lot in Johnstown. Later they sold their home and business to move to her mother's 27 acre farm three miles west of Fort Collins. They paid $4,200.00 to the Building and Olan Company whoheld a $6,000.00 mortage on the Mary Lillian Harris farm of 27 acres. But the depression of 1930 caused them to lose it all. April 1930, they stored their furniture and drove their automobile to North Carolina to stay with relatives awhile. Soon rented a farm there. In January 1937 they bought a 24 acre farm near Clyde, North Carolina and paid out on it in the fall of 1939. They moved Jan. 9, 1921 to a farm near Brevard, North Carolina, R. #1. They left there to move in August 1942 to a farm 5 miles west and north of Asheville, N. C. R3#4.
Estelle was a cheerful, industrious and thrifty person. She enjoyed church life and usually taught a Sunday Schoold class and was active in the women's church organizations. When she lived near Asheville she was employed in the Biltmore Industries which made handwoven homespun woolen cloth. Estelle had blue eyes, light brown hair, was about 5 ft. and 6 inches tall and right handed. She had no physical defects. Estelle has a saucer and a cup made without a handle--she thinks it was Albert Baxter's cup.
Two children grew to manhood in the home. Edgar Burl was born in the only hospital near Fort Collins, Colorado--the Larimer County Hospital, on Jan. 16, 1928. He graduated from the West Buncombe High School, Asheville, North Carolina in June, 1945. On November first he enlisted in the Army Air Forces. He took his basic training at Kessler Field, Biloxi, Mississippi and completed a course as Radio Mechanic at Scott Field in October 1946. In February 1947 he was sent to Boca Raton Field at Miami, Florida to study a course in radar and completed it Aug. 8, 1947. He was a Pope Field, Fort Bragg, North Carolina in Otoeber, 1947. Sent to Alaska to a field near Fairbanks in 1948. Type A Blood. Completed his 3 yrs. and received an honorable discharge Nov. 2, 1948. He accepted a job in a combination, country store, filling station and garage in order to remain near his father who was ill. Edgar Burl married Pauline Rochester. IN MARCH 1952.

Carrol Edwin was born January 8, 1930 in the Larimer County Hospital near Fort Collins, Colorado. He atteded the high school at West Buncombe, North Carolina. While in the eleventh grade he enlisted on his 17th birthday to enter the Army Air Forces. Basic training was taken at San Antonio, Texas. He was sent in May 1947 to attend a Radio Operating, Sending, and receiving School at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey. He learned Radio receiving and Sending in much less time than anyone who has ever been at that camp. He acted as News Reporter for that Co. Sent overseas Was sent to the Alaskan mainland 1948, March. Blood type A.B., eyes blue, height 6 fit Weight 160. He was stationed near Anchorage, Alsaka.
He received deploma from West Buncombe High School 1948. It was awarded, the diploma, while he was in Alaska; so his mother received it for him--(wearing her beautiful white satin and imported Irish lace (25 yrs. old) wedding dress) He married Dec. 7, 1949 to Pauline Frisbee. Their daughter, born Sept. 21, 1950 is Carolene Georgia Brown

She was born at Rocky Ford, Colorado where Carrol Edwin had lived and worked near his aunt, Verda Harris Albrecht. In 1951 they lived in Ahseville, North Carolina.

Thomas Burl Brown was born on June 19, 1886 near Clyde, North Carolina. He was the son of William Joseph Brown who was born in Charleston, South Carolina and who married Jane Bonham, part cherokee indian ancestory. William Joseph Brown was the son of Burl Brown who served in the civil war, his people were Irish.
Thomas Burl Brown attended a country grade school and high school in Clyde, N. C. He traveled to Colorado in October 1905 and met Miss Bertha McGlothlan whom he married on March 22, 1908. A baby girl was born to this union but both mother and baby died January 3,1921. Burl was married the secong time to Miss. Lettie Estelle Harris on June 11,1922 --ceremony performed in Harris home ~~in Fort Collins~~ NEAR Colorado. Burl became a member of the Methodist Church near Clyde, N. C. at 13 yrs of age . In 1913 he was baptised at Johnstown, Colo., by Dr. J. Gravett and became a member of the First Baptist Church. He was always an active worker in the Baptist churches He was an ordained deacon in the Bethel Baptist Church in 1944 and also a deacon in the Mount Carmel Baptist Church of Asheville, N. C. in 1946. He was the teacher of the Men's Bible class in the Sunday School of the Mount Carmel Church. In Colorado Burl owned and operated a trucking and transfer business and also owned 200 acres near Nunn. This was a dry land farm. In April 1933 he moved to to North Carolina where he was engaged in farming and lumber business. He bought a sawmill and a power tree saw in 1946. He owned a team of horses and a truck. He tookcontracts for cutting timber and hauling logs which proved to be a profitable investment and business. He worked in the timber business up until his last illness in Dec. 1948. Cancer caused his death on May 23, 1949 and was buried in the Morning Star Church cemetary, asheville, N. C. He was industrious in character, strong physically with no bodily defects. Has dark brown hair, blue eyes, weight 140 lb. and five Ft. ten inches tall.. He was one of ten children. Five died in infancy, 3 boys and 2 girls and five grew to maturity. James always called Jim, was working in Barthond, Colo., for Daddy McGlothan and cut his heel on a disk harrow. He died in ten days of lockgaw age 21 died June 1,1923. Elsie Brown, Mrs Arthur Ford was burn to death while starting a fire with garosehe oil age 17 yrs. Place Thickety District, Clyde, N. C. Mrs J. O. Cothan now lives at Henderson ville, N. C., mother of 2 children a boy and a girl both married and living in Chicago., Weaver Brown only full brother married Lona Jackson. They lived on Rt. 2 Brevard N. C. parents of 14 children--12 living, half Sisters Mrs Austin McClure (Mary Joe) of Hider, Mt. Clyde, N. C. 3 children --2 boys and 1 girl--- Pearl --Mrs Furman Green of New Jersey-- 6 children 3 boys and 3 girls---- Hazel Mrs Ralph Buchner of Rt. 4, Ashville, N. C. 3 children 2 boys and 1 girl. Half brother --Fred Brown , during ~~wes~~ was WAR Cpl Fred Brown Quarter Master Okinawa Married and had one boy --- Walter Brown BROWN Married and on home farm --one girl-- Major Charles Brown Airator now with the AVIATOR 1947 Occupation Army in Germany--- James Brown , during the war a Captain . He was in Persia all during the war. He was married and had one girl & one boy. Grand Pa's Second wife was Sally Roberson . He was William Joseph Brown and father of 17 children of which he is very proud. He is a dear old soul now 84 yrs of age.

MACGLOTHLAN

Burl's Brown's Uncle , Mr. Will Soper of Clyde, N. C. who married Burl's Mother's 1947 sister died Oct.11,1947 at the age of 87 yrs.His wife died in August 1947. Burl Brown's Grandfather, Mr Burl Brown was in the civil War took typhoid and died when William Joseph Brown was 5 yrs of age about 1762.After his death the widow Mrs Brown left South Carolina and moved with her five children to Haywood County, N. C. The children TTIE Jeams, Mattie, Will, Mary & Rachel. She married a Mr. Sorrells and had a child Tom Sorrells. W. Joseph Brown helped build the first railroads to come into Western North Carolina, Asheville, Canton and etc. He worked in the winter on the railroad to pay for 160 acres farm he had bought near Clyde, N. C. in "Thickety" Section. He died at the age of 89 -Wed ., June 1951 and burial was in the Clarks Chapel Cemetary beside his first wife. He was a mason.-MASONIC LODGE.

Carroll Edwin Harris.

Carrol Edwin Harris was born June 21,1896 . He was the son of Issac Blair Harris and Mary Lillian Elton Harris. He had his first attack of rheumatic fever at the age of 4 yrs, and it re-occured every 4 yrs all his life. Carroll graduated from #10 Grammer school attended 9th grade at H. Collins High and then went one year to Colo., school of Agriculture when he had a reoccurance of rheumatic fever and had to go to a lower climate. He spent the summer of 1912 at Excelsior Springs, Mo. with his brother Elton. He was greatly helped by the mineral Springs (bathing and drinking) He entered the Preparetory Course at William Jewell College at Liberty, Mo. that fall He attended Preparatory schools and William Jewell for 5 yrs and worked as salesman for the Wear ever Aluminen Co,. summers and carried the Kansas City Star through the School terms . In the latter part of January 1917 he had another attack of R- Fever and was bedfast 11 weeks and again the Doctor advised a lower altitude

so in April Mother and Estelle took him to Gulf Port, Miss., where his improvement was slow but he did recover and went to work for the Gulf Port & Ship Island R. R. in August as bookkeeper . He was transferred to Hatteiburg, Miss in October so he stayed with them only one more month. November 1918 he went to work for the Bank of Gulf POrt and in a few months was appionted Teller . Mr McNair The President said, Carroll Edwin was the youngest and most efficient Teller ever to work in his Bank.

December 1,1919 while on his way to the Bank he had a sudden heart attack and was taken in by Mr. & Mrs Geylord and put to bed. They called Estelle at the telephone office. She rushed to his side and called Dr, Parker , His own Doctor being sick in bed Dr. Parker abd Estelle took him to the Kings Daughter Hoppital where he received the best of care but no improvement. On January 1920 they operated on hi, removing his bad tonsils and making a vaccine of them and vacinated him with it. (trying to fight poison with poison) but it was too late for with leakage of the heart and enlarged heart and rheumatism- it was too much. He passed away at 4:45 A. M Jan 14 1920 with his faithful sister at his side. Mother Harris had been with hi, all day . Mother , Estelle and Verda took the body back to Ft. Collin, Colo., where it was buried in Grandview, Cemetary. While Carroll was delivering the K. C. Star, Prof. Tulti wife nick-named him "Sunshine" and he was affectionally called by that name by most the fellows on old Jewell Hill.

Howard Bills borrowed $500.00 from Eaton Bank, Colorado to send them to Gulf Port. He and Edna kept her brother Elverd and Sister Verda 1½ years.

Lillian Edwina Harris.

Lillian Edwina Harris was born on her father's 140 40 acre farm three miles west of Fort Collins, Colorado, on April 14, 1901. She was the daughter of Isaac Blair Harris who married Mary Lillian Elton. Educated in the rural school, near her home and three years in a high school in Liberty, Missouri, while living there with her mother. She became a christian in early life and continued active all her life in Baptist churches. On May 31, 1918 in Fort Collins she married a
HER Mr. Geter P. Farmer of Wellington, Colorado. Two sisters married two brothers Lillian's older sister married Ishmael Farmer. Lillian was the mother of five children. Overwork when never too robust in health caused exhaustion and frequent respiratory troubles. The family moved residence often and the family income was incertain. I envied Lillian the ability to have such charming fat infants. Lillian was normal physically and mentally, right handed, dark brown hair, beautiful big blue smiling eyes. She was about five ft. and seven inches tall, slender.
The most permanent homes were on 1665 Rosendry St. Denver, Colorado and 2622 Hudson St. Denver, Colorado--also 1744 Spruce Street in Denver, Colorado. L943--When the children were old enough to be in school Lillian taught in the Baptist Sunday School. She was church clerk of the Montclair Baptist Church on 16th and Syracuse Streets in Devner, Colo. She taught a young mothers Sunday School class in that church. She was elected president of the Women's Missionary Society of that church. In April 1941 Lillian was elected Secretary of the Colorado Baptist Committee. After her children were in high school Lillian obtained work in offices in Denver.

GETER PRITCHARD FARMER

Geter Pritchard Farmer was born Feb. 4, 1897, near Asheville, North Carolina. Normal and strong physically, short of stature, --ft.-- in., left-handed. He was the son of a farmer, William Oliver Farmer who married Jane Forrester of North Carolina - both are buried in Fort Collins, Colo. When first married Geter lived in Coalmont, Colo., winter of 1924-25, before that lived in Wellington summer 1921. Then moved to Fort Collins 1925 and to Denver in 1929. He had 2 sisters and 5 brothers. Usually rented homes but did own one acre 3 miles west of Fort Collins. In Denver the family lived on Quince St.,&1665 Rosemary St. 1889
His sisters and brothers were: Girl born 1887--died 1890; Elsie born 1889; Ishmael HILL
TT born 1891; Talmage Dewitt born 1893; Lodusky born 1895; Max born 1901; Elston born 1903. Geter was a farmer and mason by trade but later went into selling meat in grocery stores in Denver, Colorado. The children of Lillian and Geter Farmer were; Geter Bertram Farmer born November 6, 1919 in Fort Collins, Colo. graduate of Denver, Colo. high school. Served in World War II. Was overseas in Pacific area and Phillippine Islands and Marshall Islands.

Married-------and later divorced. No children were born to that union. He married again, in Denver Colorado, on August 7, 1948 to Ann Harriet Olson, daughter of Ivan R. Olson. They lived in Denver, Colorado where Bertram was employed as a butcher. Two sons-one born in July 1951.

Ethel Lillian Farmer was born December 25, 1919 in Fort Collins, Colo. She graduated in June 1939 from the Denver Colo., high school. She was married in Denver on Oct. 6, 1940 to Raymond Eugene Heap. The marriage ceremony was in the Montclair Baptist Church. Eugene Heap served in World War II in the army in Europe. They lived in Denver, Colo. They are the parents of a son, Dennis Ray Heap, born March 30,1943 in Denver, Colo. and a daughter, Becky June, born June 9, 1948 in Denver, Colo.

Donald Carrol Farmer was born April 10, 1923 in Fort Collins, Colo. He graduated from Denver High School in 1941. Graduated from the Baptist College at Liberty, Missouri, "William Hewell College" in May 1945. He was a ministerial student. Attended seminary in Andover Newton, Mass. He had blue eyes, brown hair and was 5 ft. 11½ in. tall.

Lucile Maxine Farmer was born November 17, 1924 in Fort Collins Colo. She graduated from Denve Colorado ghigh school in 1943. Entered William Jewell College in Liberty Missouri in Sept. 1943. Married June 16, 1946 at the Montclair Baptist Church to Raymond C. Cassell. Adopted twin boys 1951.

William Gene Farmer was born July 26, 1928 in Fort Collins, Colo. Graduated from Denver high school in 1945. Was a student in William Jewell College, Liberty, Mo. Married on July 21, 19-- to Elaine Karoline Lenox, daughter of Miles H. Lenox. In 1951 Gene was head techinian in the X-ray deaprtment of St. Mary's hospital in Kansas City, Mo. A son Micheal was born in November 1951. All of Lillian's children were normal physicallly and mentally--all had blue eyes and brown hair. MILES

Robert Elverd Harris was born on his father's 140 acre farm 3 miles west of Fort Collins Colo. Nov. 26, 1902, the son of Isaac Blair. Harris married Mary Lillian Elton. He was normal physically and mentally, was honest, industrious, and religious. His father said that Elverd looked like his Uncle George of short broad physique and dark brown very curly hair. Elverd's hair was brown and curly, his eyes blue, he was right handed, he was witty, had a fine personality. Elverd was educated in Fort Collins, Colorado and Liberty, Missouri. He helped his eldest brother, Arthur, print a small newpaper "Estes Park Trail" for some time,then by means of a money loan from his brother Elton, he attended the Sioux Falls Baptist College in South Dakota. He graduated from that college with honors in June 1925. In Dakota he met a young school teacher, of Lake Preston, Miss Ruth Lewis and married her on Aug. 15, 1928. He became superintendent of schools in Spearfish, South Dakota. After that he worked two years in the United States Patent Office, Washington D. C. In 1929, Calif. Fruit Grower's Exchange or the Sundist Orange Growers Co. employed him as a Patent attorney. He made his home in Ontario, Calif. and about 1936 bought a home there on 122 East J. St. He often traveled on business matters to Washington D. C. Later a large home was purchased on 225 West E. St. in Ontario. Elverd was very active in the local Masonic Lodge, became a past Master and and was for several years an officer in the Grand Lodge of California. Another Organization claimed his interest the Ontario Rotary Club of which he was Secretary in 1941-42 and President in 1945-46. He wrote the following notes about his life to be printed in the Ontario Rotary paper,"The Spinning Wheel" --Vol 12--number 35 --April 27,1949-- R. E. "Bob" Harris.

Elverd was baptized on Dec. 12, 1920 in the Sioux Falls, South Dakota First Baptist Church but both he and wife Ruth united with the Congregational Church in Ontario. They both sang in that church choir for many years.

R. E. "Bob" Harris--Past President 1945-46---- COPY

I was born on the day before Thanksgiving, the eighth of nine children, on a farm near Fort Collins, Colorado. Events have take the boy out of the farm, but not the .....dtc.

In seven hard, but interesting years in the plains, the Bad Lands and the beautiful Black Hills of South Dakota, I acquired a finish to high school, a college degree with major emphasis in languages and the classics by added summer schools a full undergraduate foundation in chemistry, and a wonderful wife, Ruth.

Two years in the U. S. Patent Office gave me a masters degree in organic chemistry,

from George Washington University, and a sufficient foundation in Patent Office practice to permit my being registered subsequently as a Patent Attorney.

In 1929, California Fruit Growers Exchange brought me to Ontario where I continue, in charge of all the patent and trade-mark work of that organization. We, ourselves couldn't have chosen a town and people more to our liking. Here our four children, Mary Ann, Robert, Paul and John were born in 1930, '33, '36, and '39. Here we have found warm and lasting friendships and have grown to be, in our small way, a part of the community life. I am deeply proud of being a Rotarian. It can and does absorb all the time and effort one can find to give it. I have found it richly rewarding.

I have a lot of trouble with the people (including Ye Editor hereof) who think that, whereas I am a Registered Patent Attorney, I am ipso facto a lawyer; which I am Not. 33
Bob and Ruth never owned a radio till 1941 and it was in their new car! Elverd treasured his mother's old pedal organ(pump organ with bellows in it.) It was given to her by Mrs. Thornton of England who lived 1 mile north of Isaac Blair's Harris farm near Fort Collins, Colo. RobertElverd and Ruth were the parents of four children. Mary Ann Harris, born Aug. 27, 1930 in Ontario, Calif. She graduated from Chaffey Union high school on June 11, 1948 in Ontario. She was "Honored Queen" of Job's Daughters in June, 1948. She played the piano and chello. Attended Pomona College, majoring in English literature. Active as a college y. w. c. a. councilor. Robert Edwin Harris, born Dec. 11, 1933 in Ontario, Calif. Paul Elton Harris, born July 18, 1936 in Ontario, Calif. John Hull Harris, born Oct. 28, 1939 in Ontario, Calif.

Ruth Lewis of Lake Preston, South Dakota, was of Norwegian parentage. All four of of her grandparents came over to U. S. A. from Norway. Her father Knute Lewis,5'4" tall, was born in Wisconsin but moved to South Dakota. Ruth was born in Brookings, South Dakota on March 13, 1900, the youngest child of her parents, She had only one brother and----sisters. One sister name was Alme. She had a sister living in Pittsburg, Penn., in 1941. Ruth's oldest sister Benedicta was married in South Dak., in 1941 to Clark Gibbs. She had been a Librarian for years . Brother lived in Minnesota in 1941. Ruth's father was 88 yrs old in June 1941 when living with Ruth in Calif., Her father had a brother living in Calif., in 1941. Ruth played the piano and enjoyed singing, normal physically, brown hair, right handed, slender, charming woman and an excellent mother--loved her family. Ruth's father 's name was Knute Lewis and her uncle's name was Martin Lewis. He had a daughter Ella who married a Robert Stevens & they had 2 daughters.

Verda Ethel Harris. 140

Verda Ethel Harris was born on her father's farm, 120 acres three miles west of Fort Collins, Colorado, July 22, 1904. Her father was Isaac Blair Harris who married Mary Lillian Elton. She was educated in Fort Collins and Liberty, Mo. As a young woman she was employed by the Bell Telephone Co,. as a switchboard Operator in Fort Collins, Colo., Verda Married William Otto Albrecht in Fort Collins, on August 15, 1926 and was the mother of six children. Her interest in christian work was maintained steadily through out her life. She was a leader in the Rocky Ford, Colorado Baptist Church and held State offices in the Baptist Woman's Missionary Organizations for several years. She had good health, brown hair, blue eyes. She was slender, right handed, energetic. Verda loved poetry and had the unique ability to memorize long poems.

William Otto Albrecht was born in Enzberg, Germany, November 20,1898. He was the son off_____ He came to the U. S. in 1918 or 1919. Otto was a maker of fancy sausages and meats for the delicatessen trade, just as his father before him was a meat packer in Germany. He was tall blond, blue eyes slender man and a good father. Otto and Verda had six children:

1. William Otto, Junior, born August 14,1928 in Denver, Colorado. He was only nine months old when spinal meningitis left him deaf. He attended the school for the deaf in Colorado Springs, Colo., graduated there in 1949 with high honors. His name is on the bronze plaque in that school. He majored in wood working and cabinet making. Later he established his own business in Rocky Ford, Colorado.

2. Robert Gene Albrecht was born March 27,1930 in Denver, Colorado and died April 30,1930.

3. Barbara Louise Albrecht was born October 23,1931 . She was educated in Rocky Ford, Colorado grammer School and high school. Graduated in May 1949 and attended the Baptist College at Ottowa, Kansas.

4. Richard Bruce Albrecht was born February 5,1933.

5. Verda Mae Albrecht was born October 10,1034 in Denver, Colorado and died November 16, 1942 in Rocky Ford, Colorado. She was ill only a few weeks with heart trouble, rheumatic fever.

6. Roger Elton Albrecht was born July 23, 1936 in Rocky Ford, Colorado.

The Albrecht's owned a home in Denver, Colorado for several years and later moved to Pueblo, Colorado for six months and then settled in Rocky Ford, Colorado, where they bought a home on 611 South 10th Street.

THE END

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Edgar Burl Brown born on Jan., 16, 1928 was adopted by Estelle Brown when a few days old. He was born in the Larimer hospital. His parents were married and his real father's name was Brown. His father was a traveling salesman and left his wife when he learned that she would have a baby. So the young wife had to earn her living and felt she could not care for the baby. The wife's mother could not care for the baby therefore a decision was made to place the child on the list of names for adoption. Estelle had long hoped and prayed for a child of her own, in despair she adopted this baby when it was a few days old. Estelle never saw the parents of the child and she asked all the relatives never to tell the boy that he was an adopted son. I do not believe Edgar Burl knew of his adoption even when he was married. ~~Latter~~ Estelle did have a son of her very own, she was a loving mother to both children.